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HOTEL MANAGER DIES SUDDENLY CHRISTMAS DAY

Waiting on bus passengers at the ticket agency in the King George hotel on Main St. on Christmas day, Richard W. Nelson, 67, collapsed and died of a heart attack.

Proprietor of the hotel since May of 1952, Mr. Nelson was talking to a bus passenger in the lobby of the hotel when he suddenly became ill.

A former member of the Ontario Hydro Commission for 25 years, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Arline Link of Island Grove.

FEW ACCIDENTS OVER HOLIDAYS

Despite poor visibility and bad driving conditions, the Newmarket detachment of the provincial police had an almost accident-free Christmas.

In the 48 hours beginning Christmas Eve, only seven minor accidents were reported. No injuries were listed. Wet slush covered some sections of the highways and sidewalks in the northern part of York County and fog came over one district.



Residents of the York County Home for the Aged enjoyed a Christmas season of parties, carol singing and friendliness this year as many organizations helped to make it a happier occasion for the older residents. A group of women residents seen with the superintendent, Phillip Lovick, before the Christmas tree last week are left to right, Miss Jane Heacock, whose home was Kettleby, Mrs. Pearl Kaminska, North York, Mrs. Florence Fincham, Long Branch, Miss Agnes Watson, Lindsay and Miss Helen McDonald, King. Below, the matron, Mrs. Lovick, inspects one of the large turkeys being prepared for Christmas dinner at the home.

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Crop Improvement Association Annual Meeting On Jan. 7

During recent years, the York County Crop Improvement Association annual meeting has been one of the largest agricultural meetings held in the county and with the addition of soil improvement, interest in the coming annual will be even greater.

The annual meeting of this association will be held in Newmarket town hall on Wednesday, Jan. 7, commencing at 10.30. About every two years the association has had to move to larger quarters for this meeting and the fifth move last year was to the town hall. The auditorium has just been renovated and will be completed for this meeting, including new chairs.

This association has an enviable reputation for starting on time and there were nearly 200 present last year when the president opened the meeting at 10.30. Besides the usual and popular

quiz period, there will be two guest speakers, to deal with soil culture and crops. Dr. D. N. Huntley of the Field Husbandry Department of the Ontario Agricultural College will discuss the handling of crops with some reference to grain storage problems and corn as a new grain crop.

Stanley Tallman, formerly with the Agricultural Engineering Dept. of one of the agricultural colleges and now field research engineer for one of the largest machinery companies, will discuss his findings in Canada and the United States in the uses of various types of farm machinery.

Arrangements have been made for a free lunch at noon in the auditorium and President Frank Barnes, Schomberg, points out that every farmer is welcome as well as machinery dealers and seed merchants.



Helpful Organizations, And Individuals Make Happiest Yule For Aged

A record number of concerts, parties and Christmas treats have been given this season at the York County home, Eagle and Yonge Sts., Newmarket. Some of the older residents of the home have had their happiest Christmas in years.

While some residents received invitations to private homes of friends or relatives, the others enjoyed the finest of Christmas dinners with turkey and all the trimmings.

The new superintendent of the County home, Mr. Phillip Lovick, a native of Aurora, and the matron, Mrs. Lovick, say that church groups and other organizations have been very generous and their interest in the home has given much happiness to the residents.

"We want people to know that they are welcome to come to the home. Some organizations have not been aware that their help is gladly accepted here. We want them to know that there is much that can be done to help the residents," said Mr. Lovick.

Christmas concerts were presented at the home by the Christian Baptist church, Newmarket, and the Aurora Baptist church this year. Other clubs include a group from Gormley which came to present a carol service on Christmas Eve.

The Concordia Club of the Can-

Lions Spend \$1,400 On Christmas Baskets

Over \$1,400 worth of groceries, clothing, milk, candy and oranges was purchased by the Newmarket Lions club for Christmas baskets this year. The Lions supplied baskets to 53 families and 142 children received Christmas items through the fund.

There were more to help in 1952 than in 1951. Last year 41 families received help through the Lions, including 91 children. The fund this year was short of its objective. While \$1,400 was spent by the club, \$900 was collected through donations.

The following is a list of contributions which have been made since Dec. 22:

J. Macnab	\$ 10.00
McCaffrey's Flowers	5.00
J. L. Spillette and Son	5.00
L. P. Cane	2.00
Mr. Pemberton	1.00
D. Rupke	1.00
Thompson Family	2.00
Frank Keats	5.00
Boyd's Transport	5.00
A. J. Davis	2.00
Broadbent's Bakery	2.00
Anonymous	2.00
Wm. Bellar	2.00
Dr. George Case	10.00
Howard Brice	25.00
Mrs. Chandler	2.00
In Name of Former Member	100.00
Alice Hawks Robinson	5.00
A. Friend	2.00
Warren Paving Co.	5.00
G. W. Robinson	2.00
Fred Hoover	1.00

THEATRE PARTY HELD

Through the courtesy of the Main Theatre Corporation, the Belhaven, Baseline and Sutton public schools were privileged to attend a theatre party at the Simcoe theatre, Sutton, on Friday afternoon, Dec. 19. A. G. Main, manager of the Simcoe theatre, donated the theatre for the occasion and Dick Main arranged to show Dickens' "A Christmas Carol", to the children.

MOUNT ALBERT LEGION

Mount Albert Branch 382 of the Canadian Legion is collecting books for the armed services overseas. Anyone having pocket edition size books for which they have no further need and who would like to help the boys, are asked to leave them at the post office, Mount Albert.

MAY BUILD PLANT IN NEWMARKET FOR LEATHER FINISHES

A new small plant may be built in Newmarket by A. N. Belugin, a well known resident of Newmarket. A letter was received by Newmarket council last week asking for information about available town-owned land on Eagle St., near the Armitage Heights subdivision.

Mr. Belugin said he plans to build a small plant for the manufacture of leather finishing materials. At present he has a small plant in the basement of Hillside Dairy building.

In his letter, Mr. Belugin stated that he could build a plant in other parts of Ontario but for "sentimental reasons" would like to stay in Newmarket. He said that there would be no smoke or solid waste materials produced in the operation of the plant.

Councillor Chas. Boyd, chairman of the industrial committee, said that an American firm which had been considering Newmarket as a location for a new plant had decided to locate at St. Thomas.

Mr. Boyd said the American firm had found a building in St. Thomas close to a railway siding which it found to be suitable. Proximity to an airfield was also given as a reason for locating at St. Thomas.

\$179,000 Tender For Main Street Accepted

North Gwill. Reports On 'Sports Day' Finances

Pre-Christmas week, a meeting was held in Keswick of the North Gwillimbury Sports Day organization, at which time the treasurer, George White, submitted a financial statement on the sports day held on August 23, 1952. The various committees had reports on the results of their own projects and had the successful results capped with a cash balance of \$806.14.

It was decided that 25 percent of the net profit should be held over for future sports days and the balance of \$679.61 has been turned over to the building fund of the North Gwillimbury memorial centre.

July 25, 1953, a Saturday, has been the tentative date set for the next sports day.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Hall, 19 Timothy St., Newmarket, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary quietly with their family and relatives on Dec. 24. Friends and neighbors dropped in to offer congratulations and the Hall home was brightened by flowers sent by the Lions club, Sharon Women's Institute, E. Fahey, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hunter and the Church of Christ, Pine Orchard.

APPROVE THROUGH STREET

The department of highways has given its approval to Newmarket's plan to make Davis Dr. a "through street". On the recommendation of the chief of police, Main St. traffic will stop at the Davis Dr. intersection.

Here And There Around Town

By Local Observer

A nude on Newmarket's Main St. was a rather disturbing sight to the few who ventured forth on Boxing Day. Quiet, in the ghost-town stillness of an official holiday, Main St. was recovered from its frantic pre-Christmas shopping spree.

Of course, the nude was not a human one. Did we forget to mention that? It was one of the shapely mannequins which grace a ladies' wear store on the Main St.

Preparing to replace the Christmas decorations, the window dresser (later we learned she was a professional from Toronto, further evidence of that big-city callousness) stripped one model in the window. Continuing to remove a few decorations she then removed the clothing from another in the opposite window.

The stage was set. What followed was as comic as any slapstick comedy by Abbott and Costello. First a few teen-aged girls approached the window. With averted gaze and rapid step they quickly passed.

Next came a weary business man. He stopped and chuckled, passed along and shortly returned with another he had encountered down the street. Together they exchanged opinions, more chuckles and then returned to more serious discussions.

Some small boys came along shortly. Stopping short in their tracks, their eyes popping in disbelief, they went close to the

Decide To Widen Curve At Main, Water Intersection

The contract for Newmarket's Main St. project will go to the Warren Bituminous Paving Co. At a meeting last week, council accepted the Warren company's tender which was the lowest among seven. The company's tender was \$179,295.

Before the contract is awarded, approval must be given by the Toronto and York Roads commission and the provincial department of highways both of which will be paying for part of the cost.

According to the roads committee chairman Charles VanZant, and Town Engineer Denne Bosworth, the plan in mind has been to widen the roadway and cut down on the width of sidewalks in some places. From discussions at the last meeting, it appears that the final decisions on these details are still left open.

The corner at the south end of Main St., the intersection of Main and Water Sts., likely will be widened and improved. The property committee of town council has been given authority to negotiate for the purchase of an old apartment house on the north-west corner. It would be torn down and the street pavement would be rounded into a curve to the west.

Councillor V. R. MacNaughton had suggested at a previous meeting that this building be bought and torn down to make a better corner where most of the traffic comes onto Main St. from Eagle St. and Yonge St. highway. There are one shop, two offices and

private apartments in the building at present.

Mayor Vale urged council to approve of negotiations to purchase. If no satisfactory arrangement could be made with the owners, the Superst oil company, the building should be expropriated, the mayor said.

"The contract is a unit price contract," Councillor VanZant explained at the last meeting when the Warren Paving Co. tender was accepted. "The cost of the materials is fixed on each unit. We over-estimated on the materials needed so the cost in the end should be below the contract price; unless anything unforeseen should take place where more materials are needed, the price should be well under this figure."

New members of council for 1953 were present at the meeting to hear the tender price by the invitation of the mayor. Present were: Councillors Frank Bowser, Robert McGuire and Edward Wrightman.

Said Councillor McGuire, "Apparently these prices are very flexible."

Mayor Vale replied, "The prices are not flexible but the materials are flexible." He explained that the price would vary according to the amount of materials required for the project. "We will only be paying for what we get," he said.

A representative from a Toronto firm of engineering consultants, a Mr. Keffer, said, "We try to get our figures high rather than too low. They are not much higher but on the higher side."

"The only other type of contract would be to get a firm bid," said Councillor Dates. "I doubt if either of the two firms with the lowest tenders would give a firm bid." The two lowest tenders were submitted by the Warren Bituminous Paving Company, \$179,295, and Kilmer Van Nostrand Ltd., \$181,627.

"You would not get as good a price on that type of contract," said Mr. Keffer. "On the lump sum price, or firm bid, they are going to hit you with a high percentage but on the unit price, you will do better if you put in approximate quantities of materials in the specifications."

"Another advantage to the unit price," said Town Engineer Denne Bosworth, is that it will not cost more if we decide to have narrower pavement and wider sidewalks."

"If you decide on narrower pavement and wider sidewalks, you will save money because it costs less to build sidewalks than to build pavements and base," Mr. Keffer added. He said that the specifications for improving Bathurst St., Toronto, were made along the same lines and that the Toronto and York Roads Commission was satisfied with the results from a unit price contract.

CRASH NORTH OF HAMILTON'S CORNER INJURES PASSENGER

Basil E. Jones, 50, Jackson's Point, was admitted to York County hospital following an accident on Friday, north of the intersection of the town line and the third concession, Newmarket. Mr. Jones was a passenger in a car driven by his son, William Jones, Jackson's Point.

The Jones' car, which was southbound at the time of the accident, struck a car driven by Clarence Burling, 46 Niagara St., Newmarket, as the Burling car began to turn in to a service station north of the intersection.

Burling was not injured. William Jones, the driver of one car, suffered minor leg and chest lacerations and his father, Basil Jones, received lacerations to the face and a fractured kneecap. His condition was reported by York County hospital to be good.

Between \$400 and \$500 damage was done to each car. Dr. W. Phair was called to the scene of the accident and Dr. J. A. Ritchie attended Mr. Jones at the hospital. Investigating were Chief Joseph Jardine and Constable W. F. Obee, East Gwillimbury police.

John Flood Elected Aurora Legion Pres.

Officers of the Aurora branch Canadian Legion, No. 385, were elected for 1953 on Wednesday evening, with John E. Flood, a member of the branch since 1947 and a veteran of both World Wars elected as president.

Installation will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 14, with Provincial President T. A. M. Hulse in charge. The same night, Mrs. Margaret Richardson, Toronto, president of the Provincial Command, Canadian Legion Auxiliary, will install the officers of the Aurora Ladies Auxiliary.

Officers of the Aurora Branch elected were: J. E. Flood, First Vice-Pres., Gordon Seaton; Second Vice-Pres., Norman Bretz; Past President, Norman Egerton; Secretary, Robert Hodgkinson; Treasurer, William Duckenfield; Sgt.-At-Arms, Albert Donliffe; Executive, Douglas Richardson, D. B. Goodman, Joseph Smith, Frank Hill and R. D. "Brick" Heaton.

Whit. Conservation Club Holds First Target Match

Whitcomb Conservation club held a successful target shooting match on Saturday, Dec. 27, at the club property on the Aurora road, east of Vondorf. The match was for marksmen using .22 calibre rifles. Because of severe weather conditions, many were unable to attend but the scores by some contestants proved that there are some good young marksmen in this vicinity.

In the ladies' class, Mrs. Michael van Nostrand and Mrs. E. L. McCarron battled for first and second prize, Mrs. van Nostrand winning with a score of 93.

In the open class, over 18 years of age, Peter van Nostrand won first place with a score of 97 points; Neil van Nostrand placed second with 95 points. Stuart Wilson, Aurora, scored 77 points in the class for boys 14 to 18 years of age.

In the junior class, Bobby Hillery, Eugene McCarron and Billy Richardson competed. Billy Richardson won first place, scoring 83 points and Eugene McCarron second with 66 points.

The winners of first place in the boys' class shot it out for a prize which was won by Stuart Wilson.

COMING EVENTS

JANUARY 1—Full Course turkey dinner will be served at Country Acres at 5.30 p.m. by reservation only. Marian Atkins, cwl.

SATURDAY, JAN. 3—St. John's bingo, in the Town Hall, at 8.30 p.m. Jackpot \$300. 15 games 25c. 1 special game. cwl.

MONDAY, JAN. 5—Annual meeting Scout-Guides mothers' auxiliary postponed to Monday, Jan. 12. cwl.

TUESDAY, Jan. 6—Annual meeting of officers, York County Hospital Women's auxiliary, Agricultural Board room, Bolaford St., Newmarket, 2.30 p.m. Light refreshments. Public welcome. cwl.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 7—Xmas bingo at Legion Hall, Newmarket, at 8 p.m., 19 games 25c. Jackpot \$25. Share-the-wealth and door prize. cwl.

THURSDAY, JAN. 8—Bingo in the Aurora Legion hall, in aid of the Ladies Auxiliary. Good prizes. Share-the-wealth. 15 games 35c. Time 8 p.m. cwl.

MONDAY, JAN. 12—Annual meeting, election and installation of officers, Scout-Guide Mothers' auxiliary, Scout Hall, 8 p.m. Light refreshments. Full attendance requested. cwl.

DANCING at Mount Albert every Saturday night, from 9 to 12 p.m., to Norm Burling and his orchestra. cwl.



Railroading is a serious business and two engineers in the group above wear the proper headgear because they are veteran Casey Joneses, union members of Frank Dawson's railway club. A fine model railway set-up has been the hobby of Frank Dawson who has his line running in the basement of his Main St. store. Extra rolling stock was added this Christmas. Union members above are left to right, Jimmy McIntyre, Mary Jean McIntyre, Bobby Murray, Angus Dawson and Gerald Watson.

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Office Cat Reports Catnips By Ginger

Slim Bliggins has been contemplating the moon.

"It says in an article I read that some of these rocket experts think we will be able to get to the moon before long," Slim said the other day. "I think I would like to go to the moon," he mused.

"I can't see any benefit getting to the moon would be," I said. "What would you do when you got there? They say it's just a barren, dry sphere."

Slim had been reading about the "big eye," the 200-inch Hale telescope at the Palomar Observatory in California. The spirit of adventure in Bliggins had been stirred by pictures of the moon's surface with towering peaks, as high as Everest and deep, dark pits and valleys.

"We have been lookin' at the moon for thousands of years; I would just like to get there for once to turn around and take a look back," Slim said.

"Well, I still can't see any point in getting to the moon. Anyway not all of these experts agree," I pointed out. "Some of them say that with the type of fuel we have now, you would need a rocket ship the size of the Queen Mary to get out of the gravitational pull of the Earth. I think anyone who wants to go to the moon is an escapist."

"Escapist!" cried Slim. "You just ain't got the spirit of adventure. What sort of a world would this be if Columbus had listened to what some of the people said? We would still

be a half a world. No sir, I foresee a lunar adventure before long!"

"There is something cold and awful about it. I don't like it. It has a sinister significance. Maybe you would turn into a lunatic if you went to the moon, or a pillar of green cheese."

"Lunatics ain't really affected by the moon. That's an old belief," Slim said.

"I would like to be the first to explore the crater, Clavius," he continued, "or raise the flag on some remote knoll in Blancanus. I would be a great explorer. Instead of being called the discoverer of Antarctica, like Byrd or like Lawrence of Arabia or Kitchener of Khartoum or something, I would be Bliggins of the Moon."

"Or the Bat Man," I added. "Scoff as you might, it will be us leaders of discovery that will get our names in the scientific journals and reports and into the history books. The next moon excursion which comes along, I will be first in the ranks of the volunteers," Slim solemnly swore.

"I would be sorry if you got lost on the eyebrow of the man in the moon or Clavius, as you call it," I said. "On the face of it, you wouldn't have a chance of survival. I warn against it. Give up this insane idea of yours. Come back down to earth again."

But Bliggins will have it that he is moon-bound. Maybe he will recover in the New Year.

From the Files of 25 and 50 Years Ago

DECEMBER 24, 1927
Mr. O. B. Sheppard of Toronto was in town on Wednesday and called upon his son, Mr. C. B. Sheppard, Millard Ave.

Mr. Jas. Milne of Winnipeg is the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. Booth, and will sing in Trinity United church next Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith and children, Mr. Herb and Roy Smith, all of Bethesda, spent Christmas day with their aunt and cousin, Mrs. S. Toole and Mr. Swindells.

Mr. and Mrs. Lakin and daughter of Vancouver (nee Miss Greta Player) were guests of her uncle, Postmaster Widdfield, a day or two last week.

Mr. Covers Marshall left for Toronto on Tuesday to take his seat as representative of North York in the Boys' Parliament.

Master Ronald Armstrong of New Toronto is spending some of his vacation with his grandmother, Mrs. E. C. Jackson.

Mr. Fred Smith from Gormley spent Christmas in Newmarket with his sister, Mrs. Susie Toole.

Mr. Chas. Haight of Detroit is spending the Yuletide with his sisters on Niagara St.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prest spent Christmas weekend at Oshawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doyle of Welland spent Christmas holidays with relatives in town.

Mr. Vernon Noble of Guelph is spending a week's vacation with friends in Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas VanLoven spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Jas. Hope, Pine Orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Evans have closed their summer hotel in Parry Sound District and returned home for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Collins spent Christmas holidays with their son at Orillia.

JANUARY 2, 1903
While playing on Fairy Lake on Christmas day, Master Roy Lush got an ugly clip across the head with a hockey stick. It laid him out for a few minutes, and required quite a strip of plaster to close the wound.

Mr. W. H. Charles and son, Indiana, from Snake Island, have built a wigwag in Williams' bush and expect to stay for a couple of months.

Mr. W. E. Wooding, of Ashland, Wis., is spending a couple of weeks visiting relatives and friends in Newmarket and Barrie.

Mrs. Thornburn of Buffalo, cousin of Miss Gleason, and Mrs. McMillan of Sharon, another cousin, have been visiting here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams and baby, Mrs. R. J. Ham, Mr. J. O'Neill and son, Mrs. E. Lloyd and baby, of Toronto, also Miss Ella Spearin of Barrie, are visiting at the Power-House.

There were 22 at the Christmas gathering at Mr. R. H. Brimston's. All the Montgomery boys were here except Mr. Thos. Montgomery.

Mr. D. A. Peregrine of Green-castle writes: Mrs. Peregrine cannot get along without the Era and I find much of interest in it. It takes a long time to efface old memories, and it is absolutely impossible to forget as long as we read your good paper. I wish you and all old friends a Happy New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvery Vernon and their three children from Uxbridge, spent Christmas with her father, Mr. John Rogers.

Mr. C. E. Cane and family are moving into their new mansion this week.

Mr. George Rhinehart was here from Oshawa for Christmas holidays.

Miss Mabel Prosser returned for Christmas after a visit of several weeks with her sister, Mrs. W. Lehman, in Toronto.



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THE EDITORIAL PAGE

PAGE TWO

WEDNESDAY, THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO

WE INHERITED IT

There were no thoughts about the motor car when the town fathers of Newmarket saw Main Street growing up in the horse and buggy days. Today residents of Newmarket appreciate the out-of-town motorist's terror in meeting an oncoming vehicle as he squeezes between two rows of parked cars on narrow Main St. hill. Newmarket motorists have become adept at easing through tight spots at noon or five p.m. They just take a deep breath and press through or patiently wait until a trucker moves his van and releases the flow of traffic. We are old hands at the Main St. run but what must it be like for a stranger?

The pedestrians have their troubles too. Who has not been delayed on the narrow sidewalks by a traffic-jam of baby carriages on a Thursday or Friday afternoon, the day after pay-day for many housewives in Newmarket? And anyone who is wheeling a set of twins downtown must have a more difficult time of it. A rushing pedestrian is bound to hit either a fellow pedestrian, a parking meter or a baby carriage if he is not careful enough.

Citizens of Newmarket have accepted Main St. It is just part of our old town. Merchants are happy as long as it is crowded and some say that its narrowness is an advantage. A narrow street always looks crowded and crowds attract more people, some say. The greatest complaint, however, is the shortage of parking space. Even though three municipal parking lots are provided off the back streets, it is still difficult to find an opening on a Saturday night.

Every bit of space counts on our Main St. Members of council, the town engineer and an engineering consultant have studied Main St. and the new "face lifting" project to start next spring will make use of every inch of space which has hitherto been wasted.

The general indication from present plans is that there will be a slight gain by motorists in wider pavement and a slight loss to pedestrians in narrower sidewalks. However what might normally be a slight loss in other streets, may be a terrible mistake on Main St., Newmarket. How do we know that the officials have not measured the wheelbase or width of the average baby carriage. Would it not be a blunder if, on the project's completion, it were discovered that two baby carriages could not pass without colliding in some sections of the street?

Some businessmen on Main St. and armchair engineers have indicated disapproval of cutting down on the width of sidewalks. After all, they say, we can't do business if people can't walk past our windows with ease. Others, the modernists, say that after all, it is certainly the age of the motor car and it should be given preference. There is much to contemplate in this Main St. problem. Council previously indicated that it would call a meeting of all the merchants of Main St. and discuss the proceedings and plans.

To date, there has been no further mention of an open meeting for public discussion. There would be countless numbers of opinions on the subject and in the end, the experts' advice would have to be followed but such a meeting would be worth while. Businessmen and property owners could air their views and complaints. It would be better to hear the complaints about plans before the work is done rather than afterwards and council would be able to argue that everyone had a chance to say his piece.

BETTER AT HOME

A district resident told about his experiences of shopping for a necktie in the downtown area of Toronto since Christmas. He related how it took him a good half hour to find a place to park. Then he had to walk a considerable distance to a department store.

It took a good deal of time to locate the department where he wanted to make his purchase and on arrival, he waited 15 minutes for a clerk to appear and wait on him. "The Christmas rush was over and I still wasted valuable time just trying to buy a tie. It's a lot less trouble shopping in Newmarket."

We actually heard these words with our own ears. It should be an encouragement to the businessmen in Newmarket. Most of them do believe that it is easier to buy at home and the wear and tear and waste of time is far less in spite of a narrow Main St. The housewives and other consumers are learning too that for most items, nothing is gained by travelling to the city.

If reports of the increased volume of business on Main St. these past few months are true, the preference for shopping at hometown stores has something to do with it.

THE YEAR AHEAD

As Canadian business stands at the end of a year, an over-shoulder glance shows 1952 to have been a lot more prosperous than many had dared to expect, the Financial Post says.

The past 12 months have been the most prosperous in our history. Of course, there have been a few weak spots. But the total value of the country's production of goods and services has topped all previous records. Labor income, retail sales, total investment—all—are the highest ever.

What has this meant, these years of prosperity? Today, despite high prices and high taxes, there is 60% more for each Canadian to spend or save as he pleases than there was in 1939. That's in real terms, taking into account higher prices.

Always, however, the question comes: How long will the prosperity—the "ever-getting-bigger"—last? The year now gone has proved a lot of things which should instill confidence for the future:

The heaviest buying spree on record was induced, not by any panic, but by the desire of Canadians to enjoy the comforts of life, and the availability of the money (and the credit) with which to buy them. They jammed the stores, not from fear of war or threat of scarcities, but by their own free wills, their desires for goods and the sound of cash jingling in their pockets.

Demand and supply came more into line. Generally speaking, prices stopped rising. Many dropped.

More competition at home and abroad forced more efficiency and that trend is likely to accelerate in the months ahead. The high priced Canadian dollar made competition in foreign markets particularly severe.

The level of investment in 1953 will likely be as high as in 1952. But there will be shifts within the totals. Some industries have about completed their expansion plans for the present. And no one knows what will come in the years after next.

Defence spending, though high, will be shifting its emphasis. Lower agricultural prices have affected farm buying.

Canada has a lot of foreign trade eggs in the U.S. basket. At the same time, we have a vital stake in our exports to soft money countries. We always must ask, will they continue to buy?

On balance, however, there's a solid floor of prosperity ahead for Canada in 1953. Prices generally are not likely to move very much either way. The food dollar should buy a little more. Some commodities are in for declines as new capacity comes into operation. A few prices will rise. But nothing properly called recession is in the picture as of now.

All this assumes, of course, that our friends to the south do not talk themselves into psychopathic troubles.

We look back on a year of great material progress. And we look ahead to another one. May the same be said for the progress of Canadians in the nonmaterial ways of increased understanding, more human kindness and real success in the real business of living, which cannot be measured in terms of dollars or statistics.

NOT FOR US, THANKS

We are heartily in agreement with the Financial Post which has spurned the new U.S. McCarran immigration act which limits potential new citizens to the country. The Post says that one American product that Canada would be wise neither to import or imitate is the McCarran act which went into effect this week. From almost every angle it is an example to avoid.

It is one of the bulkier bills ever to come before Congress. Nearly 250 pages of small type, or the equivalent of a fat novel, are required to print the law and the rules. That fact in itself means the act will be full of confusion for officialdom and immigrants alike. President Truman vetoed the bill and both presidential candidates in the last election promised to make changes in it. But in the meantime it is the law.

While lawyers are still trying to interpret many confusing details, one thing is certain. This bill finally and completely reverses American traditional immigration policy. It puts a wall all around the United States. From now on entrance will be by invitation only.

Virtually all classes and quotas of immigrants must now be sponsored by American relatives or potential employers, and in the latter case there must also be proof that similar labor or talent is not already available in the United States. That means the end of the natural flow of people from the over-crowded continent of Europe to the "land of the free."

Whether or not the great United States can afford to spurn new strength from new peoples, we leave to its legislators. For Canada, such a restrictive policy would be folly.

Pages from the Editor's Notebook

As the new year approaches, we keep thinking of the fact that 1953 will be the beginning of the second century in the existence of the Era and Express in Newmarket.

The year 1852 marked the centenary anniversary of the paper. We recall that this fact was mentioned in a news story and editorial early in the year but there was no "spread" about it, no special centenary issue of the paper.

There have been a number of well known editors since that time and on contemplating the century-old tradition of the Era and Express, we, a veteran of only three months service at the desk, at times have a feeling, slightly less than trepidation at the approach of 1953. What will it have in store for us?

But as we have said before, the Era and Express has given 100 years of continuous service and any editor who has average ability and the desire to improve his newspaper and give greater service to the community cannot go too far wrong. It would take a poor editor to weaken the position of the newspaper in the community.

Remembering that the news-

paper which receives good service from its editor, will serve the community well, we take this attitude in our approach to the new year. We do not treat this responsibility lightly. If we did treat it lightly, we would be getting more rest than we have been getting these past three months.

New Year's is the time when we all square our shoulders, take a good look into the future and decide that we will do better than we have done in the past. We become very humble. We recollect the mistakes we have made in the past and promise ourselves that we will avoid them in the future. Through experience, we know that we will have the opportunity of recognizing the dangers of mistakes in advance.

To all our friends who have helped us in these first months of work at the editorial desk, we extend thanks. To columnists, contributors, correspondents and all the people who help to put out this paper, we say we are sorry for any accidental injustices done them in our new position. We look forward to their continued association in the new year.

To all our readers, we wish a Happy New Year.

The Top Six Inches by "Dairy Farmer"

This is to wish you all a Happy New Year. Of course this is easy to say and it gives everybody an opportunity to read into the meaning of the word happy to suit his or her convenience. But just what we really mean by a Happy New Year, isn't so easy to define.

Personally, top on the list for happiness is health for our family and friends and all of us, health to do what we should do and health to enjoy all the things in our life and job that are there to enjoy.

Then next to this we would put the ability to enjoy things when they are there to enjoy, to get a lift out of our association with others, to look at the bright side of things and the good that is in everybody, so that we can appreciate it and forget and overlook and forgive that which isn't so good.

We would put material success in third place, because it will not make anybody happy unless the other two assets are present. Undoubtedly we will be all concerned with what the New Year will bring us. We all know that material success in farming will be harder to come by and harder to earn. More hours of labor will have to go into each milk cheque and more pigs will have to be sold for the same return. But even this problem isn't altogether hopeless if we organize and stick together and thus make our presence felt where our voice will count most.

The new year should bring a new and better organized effort in this direction. Last year it took a long time to recover from the blow that struck us. The real effects hadn't started to sink in until the end of the year, when cattle started to come off the pasture and the fall milk flow showed the results of the lack of export. We suspect, while looking at the full stables and the larger number of cattle in general that the darkest hour is yet to come and it will not be so much worse yet before it improves.

By keeping our head and doing some culling and sacrificing, we will come through it all, that is, if the leadership of our farm organizations will do some hard thinking and if we take the trouble and effort to make our views and position known to the general public.

We will have to make it clear to the consumer that the present improvement in their food budget is due alone to the sacrifice of one group, the farmer, and that the farmer doesn't or hasn't as yet received anything in return for it.

We will have to tell the governments concerned, both federal and provincial that if they attempt to place the entire load for prosperity on the shoulder of the farmer, it will cost them more and the nation too, in erosion, depletion of the soil in years and generations to come.

Thus the temporary relief to the worker will turn into a short lived affair with years of hangover to follow.

Finally, through our organizations, we will have to warn the more levelheaded leaders of industry and labor that unless they are willing to take some of the load from the farmers' shoulders, their present prosperity will turn into something resembling the thirties.

Yes, 1953 can be and will be a good year for a lot of us, if we are all willing to contribute to it.

We will also resolve to never lose our temper at meetings anymore and to count ten before talking, to pat everybody on the back before taking an aim at the seat of their pants, to cut the lawn before it gets too long and take out the ashes before the furnace gets too full, to put up the storm windows in good time and take them off when requested and to write our column in time. (Editor, please note.)

Happy New Year to all, again. It is a year that doesn't look too easy from this distance. But neither is it hopeless and in the final reckoning it will be just about what our own wish and good judgment will make it.

BELIEVED TO HOLD WORLD WHEAT RECORD



The Turrell brothers, John, George and William, of Wiganhall, St. Mary, Eng., are believed to have smashed the world record for wheat growing on their farm in Norfolk and as a result will be visiting the U.S. next spring to explain to American farmers how they produced 131.7 bushels of wheat an acre this autumn. John Turrell, spokesman for the brothers, was surprised and candid about the record yield: "Of course, it is possible to do anything again," he said, "but nobody knows when." He credited fertile soil, strong-stemmed wheat, good luck with the weather and good farming as contributing factors. Above George and brother William are seen examining some of the grain produced on their farm.

HANDING OVER BATTALION AT HANOVER



Following a full unit inspection and march-past by the 1st Canadian Highland Battalion in their colorful kilts at Hanover, Germany, Lt.-Col. R. L. Rutherford, OBE, right, of Winnipeg, is seen handing over command of the battalion to Lt.-Col. H. A. Parker of Toronto, left. The ceremony took place on the snow-covered parade square at Chatham barracks.

The state is the servant, not the master, of the people; the state is their guarantee against infringement on their rights, their agent in international and national issues; it is not the function of the state to assume the direction of those activities which rest on individual choice.

Brief Summary Of Council Events During Year 1952; Important Work Underway

For volume of business transacted, a substantial amount of which will be of benefit to the town of Aurora in years to come, the record of the 1952 council will successfully compete with any of its predecessors. Not only so, but undertakings have gotten underway which exceed in value the work of previous councils, notably the Yonge St. widening project.

The first regular meeting of the 1952 council was held on Monday evening, Jan. 7. Some very important business was carried out at that first meeting, among which was a delegation from the Board of Trade, led by Mr. Ross Linton, requesting the rescinding of by-law 1101, which had been passed by the 1951 council. This was the 55 feet set-back on Yonge St. The by-law was rescinded by council and its decision was later approved by the Municipal Board. The same delegation raised the question of the impending departure of the provincial police from their headquarters at the town hall. In spite of efforts made to retain the provincial police in Aurora, it was found that proposals for new headquarters had then gone too far to be withdrawn.

In the same month Mr. R. H. Corner presented to council a number of suggestions for town beautification. The outcome of the discussion was the creation of a Parks board which subsequently carried out very valuable work for the town. New Reservoir, Yonge St.

In February Dr. Henderson, chairman of the public school board, made representations for an additional grant of \$35,000 for alterations to the old high school. The request produced considerable discussion but later council approved the additional grant.

The appointment of an assessor was brought up at the first March meeting of council, and eventually this was given to Mr. George Wilkinson, to succeed Mr. E. R. Good.

Planning board expenditures came up for discussion at the April 7 meeting of council, arising out of which the sum of \$800 was budgeted for the year 1952.

Representations from the Board of Trade for an increase in the water supply in Aurora were made to council in May. In the same month first proposals were made to council for the construction of a wading pool. The wading pool project was later abandoned.

In June plans were authorized for a new trunk sewer from George on Wellington Sts. to Lepper (Millview Road) street. In the same month the widening of Yonge St. was discussed, resulting in an interview with the deputy-minister of highways by Councillor Murray, who on July 7 reported to council that he and the town foreman had interviewed the minister, whose cooperation had been assured then.

At the same meeting the fire and water committee, under the chairmanship of Councillor Jones, got underway towards the construction of the new reservoir. Arrangements were later confirmed, and the new much-needed project for increased water supply for the town of Aurora redounds to the credit of Mr. Jones and his committee.

Arena, Zoning By-Law
At this meeting also Mayor Ross raised the question of what was to be done about the report of the joint committee appointed by council and the arena commissions. He said that the report should be tabled and presented to the press without his signature or the motion of recorded vote taken at the meeting of June 6, 1952, should be rescinded.

Aurora Social News

The Gleasons' class of the Baptist church met recently at the home of Mrs. Geo. Pattenden. The devotional period was taken by Mrs. McFarlane in which she told the story of "The Littlest Angel".

Mrs. M. Prentice is spending a month with her daughter, Mrs. Insley, Exeter.

Special Christmas music was given by the choir of the United church on Sunday morning at the White Gift service and in the evening at the candlelight service.

Miss Anne Stephenson was guest soloist at the Presbyterian church in Orillia on Sunday morning.

Miss Dian Warlow, who is attending the school for the deaf in Belleville, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents. The B.Y.P.U. of the Baptist church, led by Mr. Jim McGee, entertained the people of the York County Home at Newmarket on Monday night.

Miss Ethel Graham, Toronto, is visiting for a few days at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Thos. Graham, Centre St.

Mr. Leslie Oliver arrived from Montreal by plane on Wednesday and spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Oliver.

The local branch meeting of the Women's Institute was held

In the end a report signed by some councillors was accepted, with the mayor handing his own personal report to the press, and a report from the arena manager, dated April 12, 1952, to the clerk.

A nursery school delegation consisting of Mrs. Rubin, Mrs. Blue and Mrs. Hines, came to council in August to ask for the use of a room in the old town hall, with the application being granted. In August a grant of \$5,000 was made to the arena from the agricultural department, following a personal application for the same by Councillor D. J. Murray, council's representative on the arena board.

In September the tender of Deacon Findlay Coyne Ltd., was accepted for the \$285,000 public school debentures. The planning board zoning by-law and map were discussed at the September 8 meeting with little progress being made.

Further discussions on the failure of the arena board to carry out repairs and improvements at the arena took place in October, resulting in a motion by Councillors King and Jones that the seating be made safe before the arena was opened to the general public. First reading was given to zoning by-law following vote of council.

New Town Clerk
Following the resignation of Mr. K. G. Moses, Mr. George Wilkinson, former assessor, was appointed town clerk and treasurer for Aurora, at a meeting of council held on Nov. 3. At its meeting on Nov. 17 pictures of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and the Prince Consort were presented to council by the York county police association. Mr. T. A. M. Hulse spoke for the members of the association and the presentations were made by Chief Constable Burbridge to the mayor, who responded on behalf of council.

In December, Fire Chief Harry Jones presented a report of the fire department and received high commendation for the excellent services rendered by the local fire brigade. At its last meeting, held on Dec. 15, council commended Mr. Riley Youngs on a final report concerned with the work of the local branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses. The resignation of Mr. W. S. Mills from the Aurora planning board was accepted.

Much Other Work
The foregoing represents only a few features of the outstanding work carried out by the 1952 council. A large number of by-laws were introduced by Councillor Dale King, chairman of the by-laws committee. Many delegations were heard during the 12 months' sessions and a great amount of correspondence came up for attention. Generally speaking, good team work characterized the meetings of the 1952 council. There were contentious occasions, when strong opinions were expressed, notably in connection with the arena and the zoning by-law. Far from regretting such differences of opinion, they provided proof that the 1952 council was not composed of what are called "yes men".

As was previously stated in these columns, the 1952 council did try and do a good job for the town and in considerable measure they succeeded in doing so.

In the church parlors on Friday evening, Mrs. Geo. Walker was in charge of the program. There was an exchange of gifts at this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Flerheller, Mr. and Mrs. Warrall, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Manning and Miss Laurine spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Manning, Maple.

Mrs. Landen left on Sunday for France where she will join her husband who is employed there.

At the 50-50 club meeting held at the Graystones on December 18, the following officers were installed for the new year: president, Ann and Jim Emmons; 1st vice-pres., Doris and Walter Johnson; 2nd vice-pres., Gladys and George Morris; sec., Isabel and Doug Fisher; treas., Jean and Ken Giles; publicity, Florence and Jim Murray; program, Lois and Rex Sedore; lunch, Mae and Jerry Crow; pianist, Alda and Doug Bilbrough. The club meets the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Duckworth visited their son and daughter at Uxbridge over the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Clifford Griffiths and son, Harry, leave today, Wednesday, Dec. 31, by plane for a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hayman of Keynshaw, Somerset, England.

Aurora News Page

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THREE WEDNESDAY, THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-TWO

EDITORIALS

"A HAPPY NEW YEAR"

There is something wonderfully uplifting in the words, "A Happy New Year". In one way or another, almost all human beings are in search of happiness. We say "almost all", since it is seldom wise to be too positive about anything. We have heard it said that there are the exceptional human beings who are not happy unless they are miserable.

There are people who are prone to magnify the molehill and minimize the mountain. By nature and habit they are alarmists. At the slightest symptom of indisposition they phone for the doctor. They do not ponder on what they ate yesterday which might explain why they have stomach-ache today. They substitute imagination in place of reason, and are victimized by every passing mood.

The majority of normal human beings seek happiness as their primary objective in life. The search is multitudinous in its variety and beyond the power of human classification. Each seeks it in his and her own way. Some fools seek it through too much drink and die prematurely of burnt-out bellies. Others again seek it through a denial of nature's needs, in order to keep thin. They, too, often die early of voluntary starvation, certified under another name.

Normal human beings want happiness above all else. The happily married man wants to see his wife happy and if he has a family he wants happiness for them too. Each year will be better than the one that has gone before. "Hope springs eternal in the human breast." New plans are made. New fields of endeavor are mapped out. The old year is diagnosed for its faults. The new year is welcomed for its promise.

The world is composed of normal human beings. That is why we get along as successfully as we do. In all sincerity we wish our readers and our friends a Very Happy New Year.

SPARROW ON THE WINDOW-SILL

While we wrote the foregoing article, "A Happy New Year," a sparrow flew down and sat on the window-sill. God knows he looked hungry and shrivelled. There was no chirp left in him. He pecked around on the bare ledge, seeking what he could not find. The day of his summer's pride had gone and now he was alone and fending for himself. We pitied his barren plight.

God made the simple sparrow. Why, no one can say! Far removed as he is from the design in which humans are fashioned, he yet shares two major needs with them. Perennial clothing he carries around with him. But he needs food and shelter. Shelter he can find in the eavestroughs. But what about food? When the snow covers the earth and frost congeals it, what can he do for survival?

In the summertime the sparrow asserts his self-importance. Like humans, he is torn with the emotions of love. Often he fights bloody duels to secure his mate. When he has found her, he protects her. Together they build a beautiful nest for their offspring. These they raise with loving care. The sparrow does not divorce his wife. He has taken her for better or for worse. He sticks by his bargain.

In the summertime he chirps around so that all may hear him. He is a proud, often an arrogant, fellow. Devoid of song, without it, seems, a note of music inside him, he cuts capers quite out of proportion with his limited gifts. He is often as noisy as a frustrated politician. While it lasts, he has a gay time, thinking not of the morrow!

"The morrow is here! The summer has gone. The snow is on the ground and it is sealed with frost. He is alone. He is hungry. There is no chirp left in him. He cannot ask for food. He must wait on human compassion. God made him, the simple sparrow. We must throw him a handful of crumbs.

"RING OUT THE FALSE"

"Ring out the old, ring in the new; ring out the false, ring in the true; ring in the thousand years of peace," wrote Tennyson, poet laureate during the reign of Queen Victoria. In this famous poem, "Locksley Hall," he even conceived of the "parliament of man and the federation of the world." Ironically enough, two world wars and the threat of a third, have shattered his sentimental imaginings.

Lord Tennyson was not a prating pacifist. He was no moonstruck versifier. He was a philosopher and a logician as well as a poet of the highest genius. When he thought in terms of a world federated in the cause of peace he was in tune with the wisest men in all ages. Peace is what the world has always needed. Not the peace of servitude, but the peace of freedom.

What are the chances for peace in the year 1953? The little people, among whom we are one, cannot answer that question. Nor, it seems, can the big people, since their views are contradictory. The best they can say, it seems, is that the chances for peace are no worse at the beginning of the new year than they were at the beginning of the old. Subject always to the strict reservation that visibility in world affairs is extremely poor.

So we must continue to live in a world vibrating with tensions. Gifted as we are in our modern world, with a wealth of scientific discovery that could make our earth a paradise for living, we are denied the peace that could ensure it. But if we continue to think in terms of peace, rather than of war, we shall not be ruling out the possibility of its permanent fulfillment.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING

Old Custom Of 'First Foot' Still Survives In England: Aurora Firm's Dinner Meet

New Year celebrations are carried out on a considerable scale in Scotland and in the English northern counties, where the Christmas holiday is short. In the southern half of England Christmas is the chief festival; but in northern England the custom is entirely different.

The old custom of first-footing is hardly known in southern England, but in the northern counties it is so much a part of the season's ritual that it would not be New Year's without it. The belief in first-footing stems from a belief in omens of good and bad fortune, in luck and in superstition. Belief in symbolism is a powerful inheritance shared by the Scots and their neighbors south of the Tweed.

It is not a sign of high intelligence to sneer at superstition and its symbols. In this connection it is well to recall that "there is more in heaven and earth than is dreamed of in your philosophy, Horatio," as Shakespeare expressed it.

"First-Footing"
When the custom of first-footing began, or by whom it was introduced, is outside the records. But its origin is ancient. It is often carefully planned among friends and neighbors. In brief it means that the first person to cross one's threshold after the stroke of midnight on December 31 is a first-foot. It is important that one's first visitor in the New Year should carry some semblance of good luck for the whole 12 months to come.

That first visitor must therefore be carefully selected. While it has been claimed, and a book written in proof of it, that "gentlemen prefer blondes," such a claim is far from the truth as far as homes in northern England are concerned. Brunettes, not blondes, are preferred! First-footers are always men. A woman as a first-footer would be unacceptable, no matter what her distinctions might amount to. The ideal first-footer is a dark-haired man. Immediately after the stroke of midnight on the last day of the old year, he knocks on the door of a friend's home, enters and wishes everyone a "Happy New Year". As an omen of good luck he often carries into the home a small bucketful of coal. When this has been deposited he accepts the hospitality of his host and drinks to the health of the company.

A popular first-footer will make many calls between the midnight hour and the crack of dawn. He is the vocal messenger of goodwill and good fortune for the New Year. He is chosen for his gifts of affability and convivial qualities and his capacity to maintain a perpetual posture under the increasing strain of copious draughts of good liquor. Without such varied talents the first-footer might easily leave behind him an atmosphere of depression rather than one of joviality and a promise of good fortune.

New Year's in Scotland and in the north of England is the real festival season of the whole 12 months. Stores are often closed for several days with a succession of friendly exchanges and the convivial tempo running high.

In southern England little notice is taken of New Year's. The real festival is that of Christmas, as in Canada.

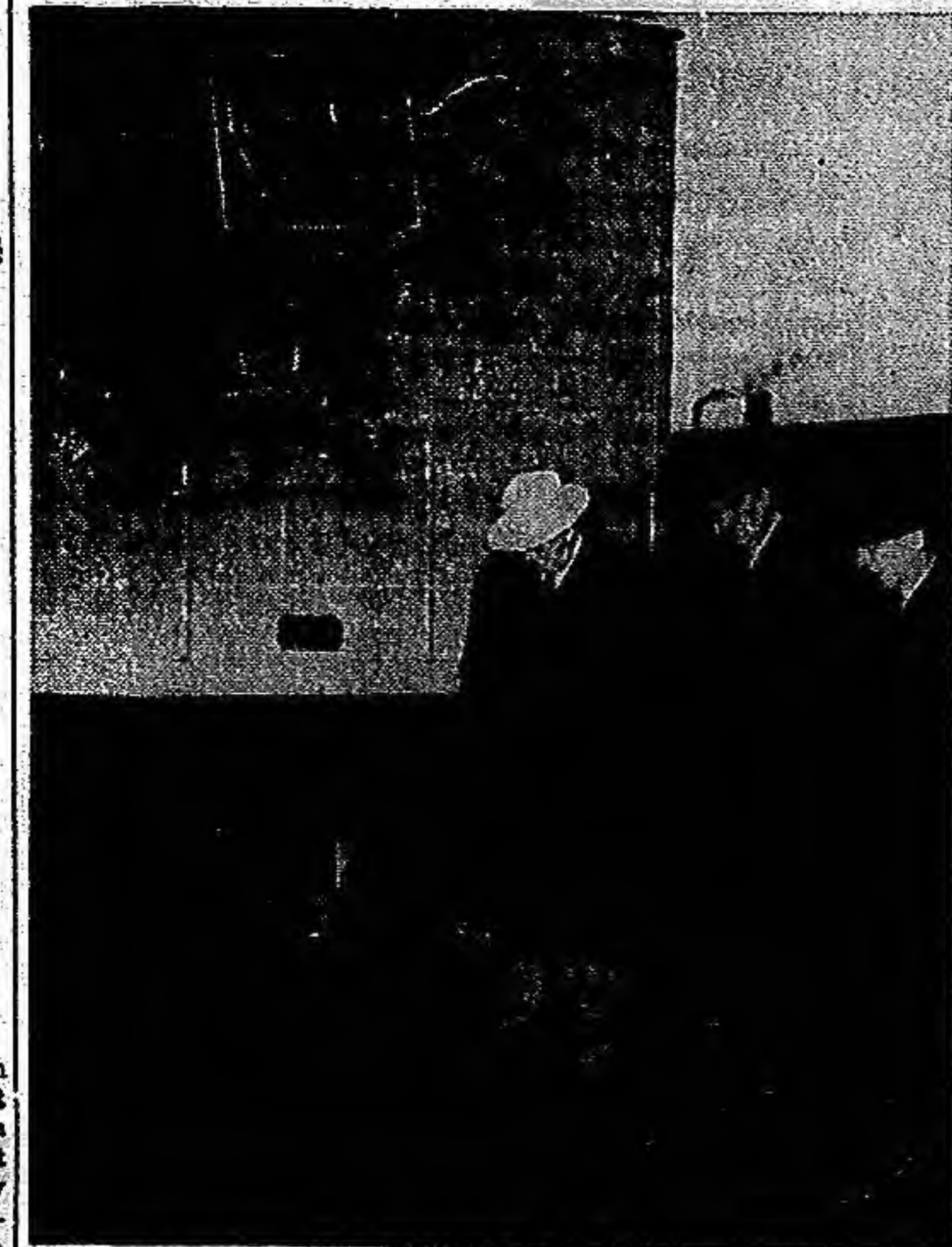
Staff Dinner
A very successful event took place at the Oak Ridge Inn on Friday night, Dec. 19, when Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Duckworth, of the Aurora Automotive, entertained their staff and their wives to a turkey dinner. The guests numbered 25.

Following the dinner gifts were presented by Mr. and Mrs. Duckworth to the wives of the staff and also a substantial Christmas gift to each employee. Entertainment was provided in the form of card games and also a showing of colored slides of the Lions convention at Mexico in the present year, which Mr. and Mrs. Duckworth attended.

Among those present at the above dinner on Friday night were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wobber, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. George Fish, Aurora; Mr. H. M. McKenzie, Aurora; and Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Wyant, Stayner. By a happy coincidence Mr. Wyant was celebrating a birthday on Friday, Dec. 19, and he was presented with a gift to mark the occasion.

Mr. Gordon Duckworth reports that his firm has enjoyed a very successful year.

Mystery Christmas Card
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The first, modern, wholly-owned railway trailer on flats service to be introduced in Canada was inaugurated by Canadian National Railways recently between Montreal and Toronto. In the new service freight will be picked up and delivered in cities by trailers which will be transported on flat cars in fast freight train service between cities. As it proves acceptable to shippers, it will be extended to other sections of the country. Photo shows one of the trailers loaded for the opening of the service being inspected by John Pullen, traffic vice-president, Donald Gordon, president of the system, and S. F. Dingle, operating vice-president.

OBITUARY

Archie Dike

Archie Dike, Queensville, passed away suddenly at York County hospital on Dec. 3. He was born at Uxbridge in 1880, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Dike. He married Daisy J. Reeves in 1906.

At the time of his death, Mr. Dike was a miller, having farmed previously until 1918. He was a member and elder of Hope church and belonged to the Masonic Lodge No. 97. His chief interests were his home and sports, having been secretary of Lake Simcoe Softball league for 20 years.

Surviving are one daughter (Elva Grace) Mrs. Lorne Ganton; two brothers, Newton, Newmarket and Oliver, Fenelon Falls; three sisters (Lucy), Mrs. J. W. Widdifield, Newmarket; (Zella), Mrs. G. H. West, Bogartown; Annie, Newmarket; two grandchildren, Donald Lorne and Jeanne Ganton, Queensville. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. E. V. Warren, in the chapel at Mount Albert. Pallbearers were George Banker, Howard Pegg, Joseph Gibson, Angus Morton, M. L. Pegg and Stewart Stickwood. Interment was at Queensville cemetery.

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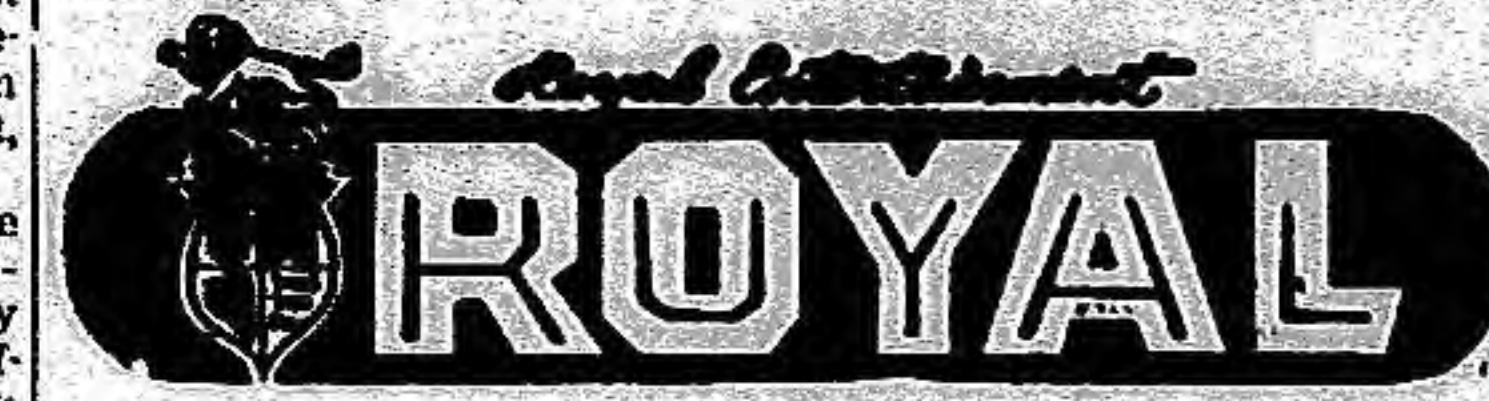
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These chemicals formerly were imported from foreign countries and were consequently very expensive, but we have now been able to secure such raw materials in Canada and we can supply these to the public. Your disposal system will be kept in good running order by merely applying about one pound of chemical a month into your drainage system. Of course, if the system is blocked, it is necessary that a thorough cleaning job be done first and we have chemicals for this purpose also. If you have no apparent trouble, you should add Anaerobic Booster every month, which will neutralize and deodorize—and keep your system trouble-free. TOWN & COUNTRY products have been designed to keep your private sewage system in top working order and you have our full assurance that when used according to directions they will do all that we claim.

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- Employers with one or more employee operation in the following fields are required to file their payroll with the Board not later than January 1, 1953: Bark-peeling by hand... Blacksmithing shop or blacksmithing and wood-working shop... Butchering... Construction of a house or any part of it by an employer who, within three years before the commencement of the house, has completed or has completed for him the building of another house... Conveying passengers by automobile or trolley-coach... Cutting, hewing, piling or hauling logs, wood or bark... Cutting or splitting of firewood... Land-clearing and stumping... Logging... Manufacturing artificial flowers, chests, leathers, rubber stamps, pads or stencils... Mining, including prospecting and development work, except in producing mines where the workmen are employed by the owner, lessee or recorded holder thereof... Operation and maintenance of a building or buildings rented wholly or partly for manufacturing, or an office building or buildings, whether operated and maintained as a business or by the operator for his own use... Operation of threshing machines, clover mowers and engine cutters... Picture framing... Power laundries, dyeing, cleaning or bleaching establishments... Repair shops... Restaurant business... Upholstering... Window cleaning.

- Write at once to the Assessment Department of The Workmen's Compensation Board, 330 University Avenue, Toronto, 1, for complete details and instructions regarding your registration in the Workmen's Compensation Act. It is in your interest as an employer to register for all compensation benefits for you and your employees.

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Sharon News

Mrs. Kidd Toronto, was a weekend guest of her cousin, Mrs. Gordon Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Donaldson spent Christmas at Ottawa with their son, Mr. Gault Donaldson and family.

The Misses Gertrude Moore, Toronto, and Marjorie Moore, Winnipeg, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Shaw.

Mrs. Laura Bell, Edmonton, is visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Welby Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Glover and Beverley spent the Christmas holiday in St. Catharines.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dixon and family, Hamilton, spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fife.

Miss Ethel Shaw, Grand Rapids, Mich., spent a few days with her sister, Miss Nora Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Canuso and Cathie, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kiteley, Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilkins and Miss Margaret Lepard, Toronto, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Kiteley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Robertson, Margaret and Bill, Fort Erie, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall.

The Misses Evelyn and Violet McDonald, Toronto, and Mr. J. McDonald, Orillia, spent Christmas with Mr. C. H. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Stokes,

Beth and Douglas spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Murray Stokes, Mount Albert.

Mrs. Buchanan, Toronto, spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. B. L. Phillips.

Mr. Ted Fife, Toronto, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fife.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fry, Douglas and Jean, Newmarket, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Kershaw, Queensville, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Fry.

BELHAVEN

The school concert held in the school on Wednesday afternoon was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. James Vietch, Beaverton, were visitors at the home of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilkinson, on Wednesday.

A combined watch night service of Belhaven, Uxbridge, Holt, Newmarket and United Mission churches will be held in the Belhaven Free Methodist church on Wednesday, Dec. 31, commencing at 9 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fairbairn and David, Toronto, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Selby Fairbairn.

Belhaven is competing with Ripley's "Believe-it-or-not" column. On December 7 Mr. Ross Mainprize heard frogs singing and on the same day several dandelions were found blooming.

PINE ORCHARD

Mr. and Mrs. M. Lodder and Mr. Paul de Hann, Toronto, were Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Sytema and family.

The teachers and school children enjoyed a Christmas treat and program at the school on Friday afternoon, Dec. 19.

Miss Betty Colborne is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Toronto and with Mrs. Lloyd Baisdon at Sharon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lehman and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Lehman.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leach and John, Newmarket, spent Christmas with Mrs. Leach's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Armitage.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Allen and Miss Aleta Widdifield were guests of Mrs. Collin Widdifield on Christmas Day.

A family gathering assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Ash for Christmas Day.

Rev. and Mrs. R. R. McMath, Newmarket, were recent guests of Mrs. A. Lloyd and Mrs. G. P. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haines and Iva spent Christmas at the Shropshire home.

Several enjoyed the Office Specialty employees Christmas party at the Roxy Theatre, recently.

Willing workers of Union church will meet at the home of Mrs. Horace Mullin on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 7, at 2:30 p.m.

Union church service on Sunday Jan. 4, will be at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday school at 1:30 p.m. Church of Christ service is to be at 11 a.m. and Sunday school at 10 a.m.

The children of the community were delighted with the matinee at the Roxy Theatre as guests of the businessmen of Newmarket also the treat from Santa last week. This fine gesture was greatly appreciated.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. R. Ough on the death of Mrs. Ough's father in England on Dec. 19. Mrs. Ough left immediately by T.C.A. to visit her mother in England.

Sorry to learn about Mrs. G. P. Wood fracturing her arm. Best wishes are for a complete recovery.

Union church Sunday school enjoyed a Christmas party in the newly finished basement of the church. The walls of the basement have recently been finished with plywood. It makes a wonderful improvement.

ARMITAGE

The teacher and pupils of Armitage school are to be congratulated on their fine concert this year. The popularity of this annual entertainment is shown by the exceptionally large crowd which filled every available space in the school room and overflowed through the doors.

Highlight of the evening was the arrival of Santa and his reindeer, with Rudolph and Olive (the other reindeer), all but coming in the open window.

Mrs. Morley Cook was hostess on Christmas to a complete reunion of her family who came from Vondorf, Pine Orchard, Stouffville, Ringwood, Langstaff and Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Johnstone Sr. and Jr. were Christmas day guests of the Clayton Reids.

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Stevenson. Included were Mr. and Mrs. Marjorie and twin daughters, Mr. Marjorie's mother and her two sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stevenson, Mrs. R. Stevenson's parents and Dorothy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lewis and family spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Johnson, Pine Orchard.

The Sunday before Christmas was also popular for family parties. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lewis, Miss Anna Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Shackleton and family had

ANSNORVELD

Rev. Hoogland of Woodstock conducted both services at the Christian Reform Church here on Sunday, Dec. 21.

Miss E. Knapper left for Windsor to be with her parents for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. L. Tammara, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Hagen.

Mr. P. Uittulug, accompanied by his fiancée of Grand Rapids, were spending Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Uittulug.

Mr. Wm. Horlings is home from Willems hospital, Toronto and his condition is somewhat improved.

Miss L. VanDelft and Miss E. Van Dyke, Hamilton, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Biemold over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Mennega and children are spending two weeks visiting relatives in Michigan.

ROCHE'S POINT

At Deer Park public school Christmas concert the senior room pupils of Mr. Robert Half-year presented two parts of the three-part program. Their first offering was an operetta "The Gallant Tailor", with Brian Genge as the "tailor".

Mrs. R. A. Cowieson was in charge of the singing and music and the result of all the practicing showed in their work. Patricia Porter as the "jam woman", Margaret Alder as "the giant", Jimmie Chalmers as the "king", Joan Link as the "princess", and Margaret Hayes as the "lady-in-waiting" rounded out the cast of principals.

A senior choir provided the choral work. Miss Ruth Curtis' junior room pupils took over the second part of the program with a "Christmas Fantasy". Five delightful musical selections were part of it.

A religious tableau rounded out the evening's entertainment. The senior room pupils gave this, followed by a visit of Santa to all the girls and boys. Bags of goodies were received by all the children and gifts were exchanged. Speeches were cut to a minimum and the whole evening was completed by 10:30.

MOUNT PLEASANT

The Women's Guild met at the home of Mrs. Claude Yorke on Tuesday, Dec. 16. Mrs. Killen gave the message on the birth of Christ. There was also the annual election of officers for the coming year. President is Mrs. Wm. Moulds; vice-pres., Mrs. J. Leaney; sec., Mrs. Bert Stephenson; press, Mrs. Bernard Davidson.

On Tuesday, Dec. 23, the Sabbath school children spent the evening at the home of Mr. Alex Hopkins where they were entertained by their teachers and Mrs. Killen in the usual Christmas manner.

dinner at the homestead. Mrs. Chas. Lewis is spending a couple of weeks in Toronto with her daughter, Mrs. Shackleton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McEdden and Johnny and Mr. and Mrs. D. Kenney and David spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. B. Hendrick.

Another family reunion was held at the home of Mr. J. Newton and his daughter, Rose, with his four sons and their families, all together for the first time in four years.

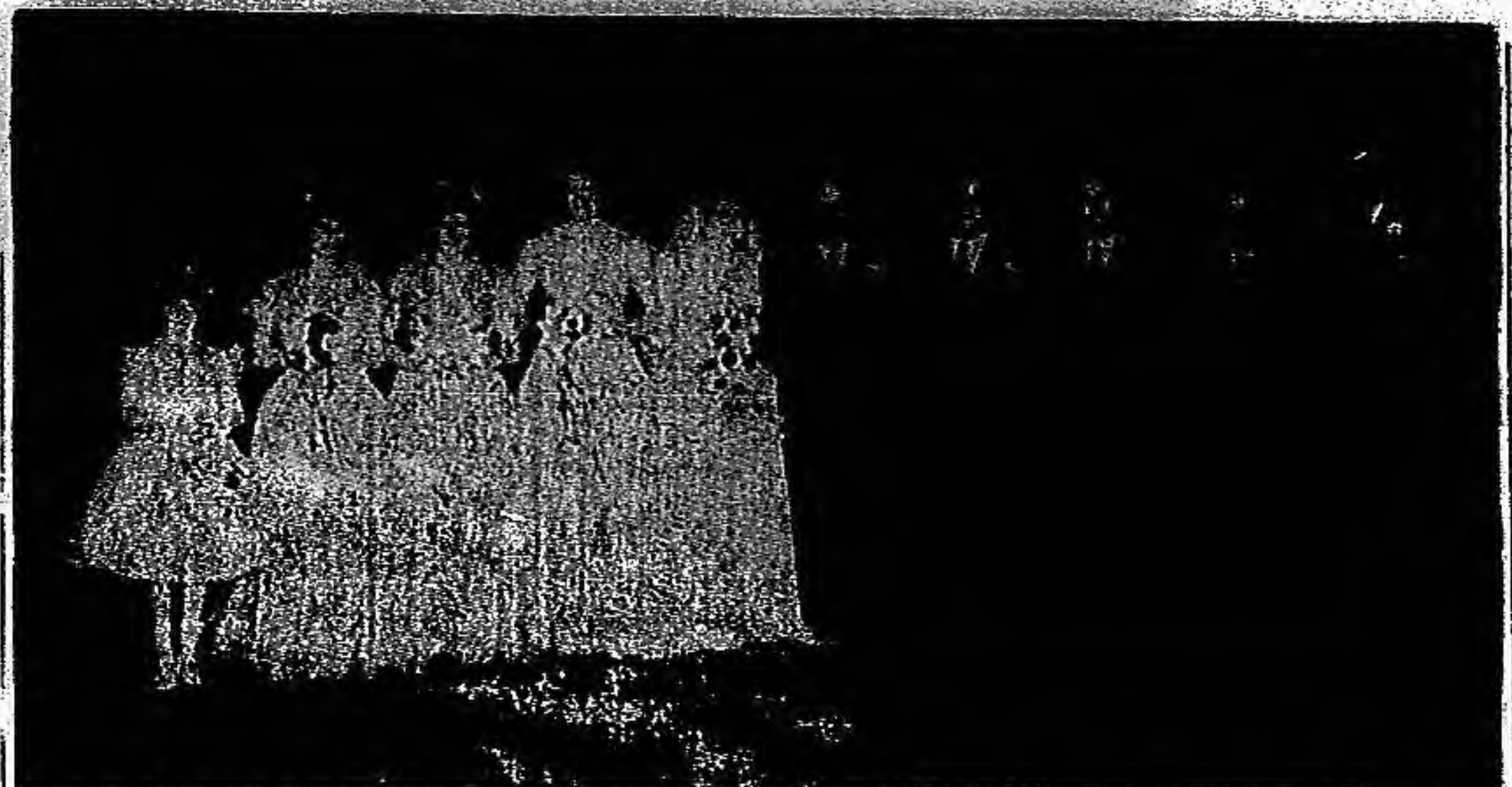
Mr. and Mrs. J. Brown, parents of Mrs. Alfred Lewis, who have been visiting from Saskatoon, left on Sunday for New York, prior to sailing for England and Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cook and family spent Saturday at the Cook homestead.

Mr. Bob Armstrong left Monday for a short course at O.A.C., Quelp.

Mrs. Chas. Cook has her mother visiting her for a few weeks.

Glad to report Barbara Lewis is able to be out after having chicken-pox but sorry to say Jean now has them.



Ada Peterson and William Crouch were united in marriage at a ceremony at Trinity United church, Newmarket, last month. In the wedding party pictured above are, left to right, Sherron Stickwood, flower girl, Nanette Cook and Donna Stickwood junior bridesmaids, Eric Hones, maid of honor, the bride and groom, Herbert Crouch, best man and brother of the groom, ushers Jack Peterson, brother of the bride, Freeman Crouch, brother of the groom and Bob Dale, a nephew of the bride.

Zephyr News

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Graham, Udon, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rynard, visited Mrs. A. B. Lockie on Sunday last.

The W.I. held its December meeting in the community hall on Wednesday afternoon. The ladies packed a number of boxes for the shut-ins.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Thompson, Sharon, and Mrs. P. Snowden, Newmarket, called on friends on Sunday last.

Rev. and Mrs. Thornloe and son, David, left on Tuesday to spend Christmas with Mr. Thornloe's mother and family at Goderich.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble spent the weekend with that latter's mother, Mrs. Bartlett and family.

The community hall was packed to the doors on Thursday evening to hear the school children of Zephyr Public school give an interesting Christmas program consisting of choruses, duets, dialogues and recitations.

After the program was completed Santa Claus appeared with his usual load of good things and distributed them to the children.

The S.S. of the United church held a Christmas concert and supper on Friday evening, in the S.S. room and received gifts from Santa.

Mrs. T. McCarrie and daughter, Lynn, Montreal, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Graham for a few days.

The executive of the W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. D. Graham, on Monday evening and drafted the W.M.S. program for

NEW YEAR'S DANCES

Two New Year's Eve dances have been arranged in Sutton. One, by the Sutton Kinsmen, is to be held in the high school auditorium, Sutton; the other, by the Roche's Point association, is to be held in the Community hall, Roche's Point. Orchestras will be providing the music at both dances and refreshments will be served.

KINSMEN DECORATE TOWN

The huge Christmas trees at Sutton and Jackson's Point were erected, lighted and decorated this year by the Sutton Kinsmen, as a public project. With the crisscross of colored lights overhead on the main street, the approach to the Sutton business section was a delight to the eyes.

Pleasantville News

(Too late for last week)

The Hogartown school concert on Thursday, Dec. 18, was a decided success. The teachers, Miss Breddin and Miss Liscoumb, and all pupils are to be congratulated.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Preston and Marjorie were Sunday night guests on Dec. 14 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Preston, Toronto.

Mrs. A. Tucker had Sunday tea at the home of Mr. Wm. Walker, Bogartown.

There was a very good attendance at Pine Orchard Union church on Sunday. Rev. Doggett gave a splendid Christmas message while Mrs. Doggett sang a lovely carol.

If weather and roads permit, the Delmer Preston family, also son David and wife of Toronto, are planning their Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. L. Whiting at Lindsay.

Mr. E. Madill returned home last week after spending a week at the home of Mr. A. Richardson, near Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Starr and Stuart Starr, also Mrs. E. Hawthorn, are spending Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Starr at Alton.

WILLOW BEACH

(Too late for last week)

Mrs. Violet Chapman and Mrs. Orval Pilonneau spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ace Chapman.

The baseline school held their Christmas concert on Friday, Dec. 10. There was a good attendance and the pupils did exceptionally well. Santa Claus was there with his bag of gifts for all the pupils.

On Tuesday, Dec. 18, the Cozy Four euchre club held their meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Sedore. Each member invited a guest and two tables of euchre were played, prizes going to Mrs. Gwen Marritt, Mrs. Hazel Bryson and Mrs. Murray Jewett.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bong are back in their home again. They had to move out temporarily until damaged had been repaired after a fire had destroyed the interior of the house.

Mrs. Hugh Rynard of Niagara Falls is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harland Huntley.

the coming year. The January meeting will be held in the S.S. room on Wednesday, Jan. 7.

The children and some of the adults are enjoying skating and hockey on the newly improved rink.

Mrs. F. Metherell and grandson, Roy Sedore, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen on Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. Lockie and son, Allan, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lockie and family at Keswick.

Mr. and Mrs. John Galbraith and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Marr at Malton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Galbraith are spending two weeks' vacation with Mr. and Mrs. George Parker and Peggy, Weston.

Mrs. E. Profit has gone to Nanance where she intends to spend the winter with her cousin.

The W.M.S. January meeting will be held on January 7 at 2:30 p.m. in the United church Sunday-school room. The executive is preparing a good program. Come and enjoy a pleasant and profitable afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thompson and Wilda Sharon, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cain and family and Mr. Thos. Cain will be spending New Year's with friends at Miami Beach.

Mrs. T. McCarrie and daughter, Lynn, Montreal, returned home on Tuesday after spending a few weeks with Mrs. McCarrie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Harrison spent Christmas with Mrs. Harrison's parents Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Belhaven.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Travis and family have gone to live in Oshawa. Mr. Thompson has just completed a new home for the family there.

Mr. and Mrs. McKillop and son, who live in Acton, Ontario, visited Rev. and Mrs. Thornloe last Sunday. Mrs. McKillop, on invitation from Rev. Thornloe, preached an inspiring sermon and her son sang a lovely solo.

A watch-night service will be held in the United church on New Year's eve. A service of song and prayer will be taken by Rev. Mr. Thornloe.

The young people of Sandford United church will meet with the young people of Zephyr United church on Monday evening, Jan. 5, at Zephyr United church to organize a Young People's Society. Holy Communion will be held in Zephyr United church on Sunday, Jan. 4, at 7:30 p.m.

HOPE

Hope W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. George Broderick, on Jan. 7 with program committee, Mrs. Sheldon Walker, Mrs. George Barker; lunch committee, Mrs. Joe Gibson, Mrs. Cecil Morton, Mrs. Howard Pegg, Mrs. Archie Dike.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pegg had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pegg.

Mr. Edgar Oberer, Kitchener, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Oberer.

Miss Amy Gibson, Newmarket, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stickwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Stickwood, Queensville, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Stickwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ganton, Jean, Donald, Mrs. Archie Dikes were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry West, Bogartown.

Mr. and Mrs. Morley Moore, Port Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McPherson, Cedar Valley, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Marles, Hilt, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pegg.

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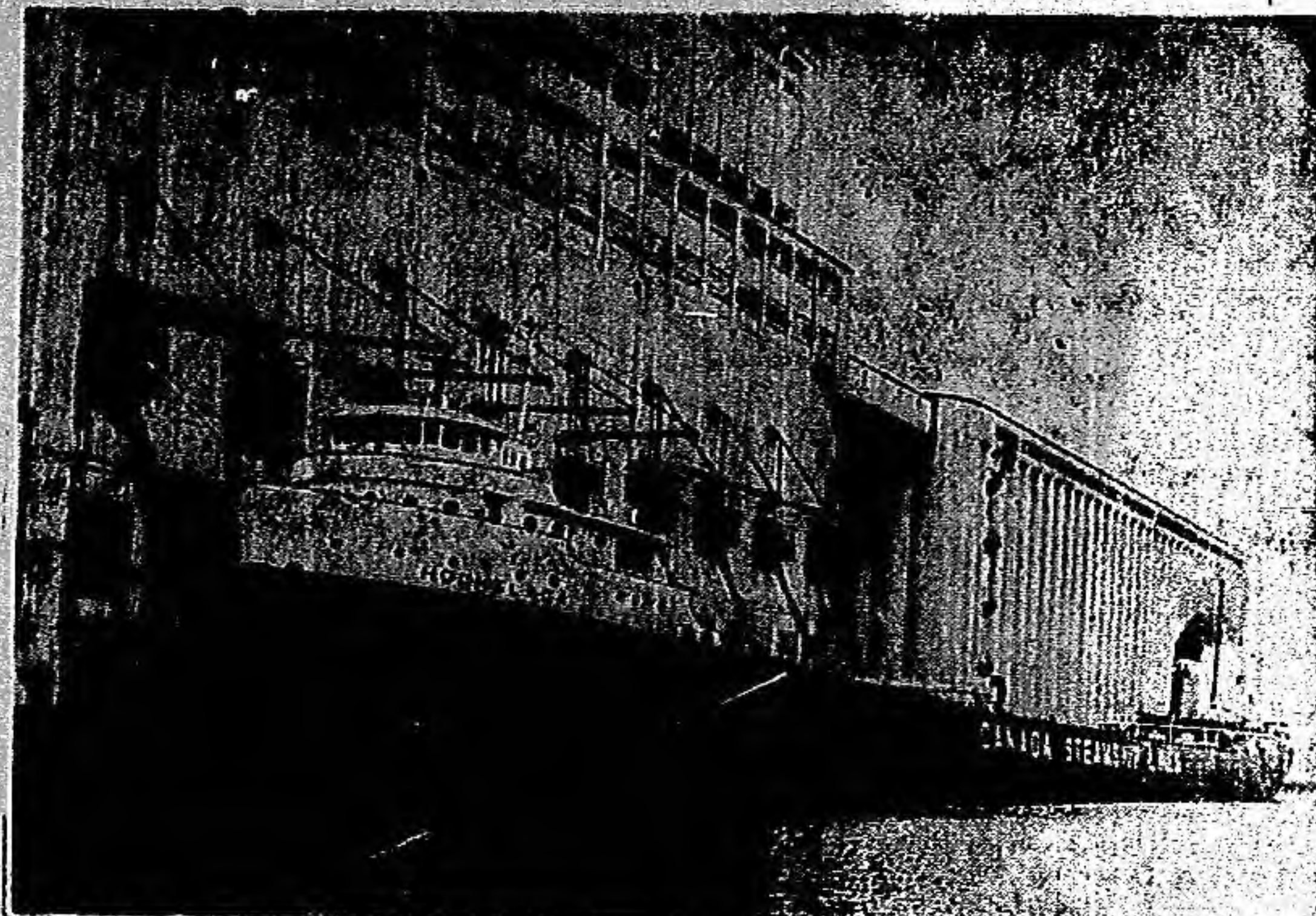
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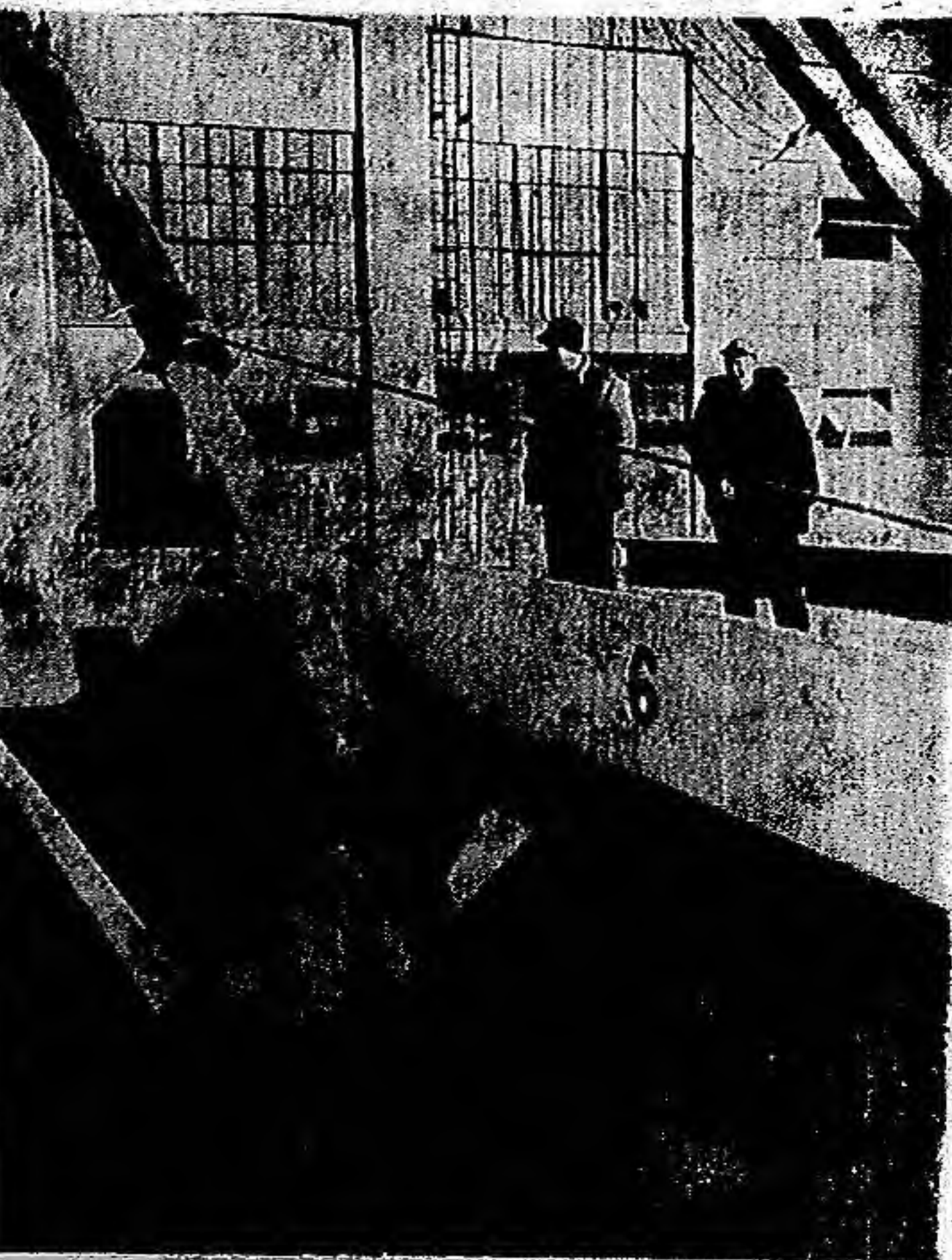
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Up until Dec. 11, the official closing day for Great Lakes navigation, 218,000,000 bushels of grain were handled at Port William elevators, and poured into the holds of waiting freighters. During the same period last year the total was 183,000,000 bushels. Even at that, freighter captains have to scurry from one elevator to another to get a full load of grain.

**SUTTON SCHOOLS
PRESENT CONCERT
OF SKITS, SONGS**

Sutton Public school's Christmas concerts took place on Thursday and Friday evenings, Dec. 18 and 19, at eight o'clock. The school auditorium was well filled each night and the pupils from

kindergarten to eighth grade twinkled, as stars, in their respective roles.

With all music under the supervision of capable Mrs. R. A. Cowieson, the different rooms presented their offerings. The kindergarten class of Mrs. Evans had a rhythm band following the "welcome song" by Mrs. Glover's class.

Miss Latimer's grade one pupils sang "O! What a Merry Christmas" and the other grade one class, tutored by Miss Keir, "The Sorry Little Elf". A laugh-packed skit by Miss Sinclair's pupils, called "Punkinville School Christmas Concert," and "emceed" by Gerry Andrews, was particularly well done as was the "Pantomime of Sutton," by Mr. Grant's grade six and the skit "Heck Says It," by Mr. Day's grade eight. Miss Hodgkinson's class sang an action song, "Temptation".

The junior and senior choirs were well rehearsed and well enjoyed. A choral reading of the "Night Before Christmas," by Miss Sinclair's grade brought the program to a close.

Friday evening, Dec. 19, a dance was held in the high school auditorium, sponsored by the Sutton high school student council. It climaxed an exam-packed week for the students. The orchestra of Alex Williamson provided the music for the old time and modern dancing and the affair was a success, financially as well as socially.

NATIVITY PLAY, KESWICK
Members of Christ church, Roche's Point, presented the Nativity play at the Keswick memorial centre hall on Sunday evening, Dec. 14. A capacity crowd was in attendance and the play was well directed by Miss Frances Arthur, who took the part of Mary.

The cantors were Brian Genge, Jimmie Chalmers and Stanley Arnold and they were backed by a choir comprised of Helen Curtis, Betty and Donna McTaggart, Yvonne Mitchell, Joan Seaman and Margaret Hayes.

The impressive religious presentation by the church members took place again Sunday evening, Dec. 21, in Christ church. Rev. A. J. Arthur was narrator at both the occasions.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Allen, Apdin and their sons, Bobby and Roy, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hudson.

**BIRTHDAY
CLUB**

Birthday wishes are extended this week to:

Patrick Brian Ewing, Newmarket, 14 years old on Tuesday, Dec. 23.

Linda Fletcher, Newmarket, 5 years old on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

David Arthur Evans, Newmarket, 6 years old on Thursday, Dec. 25.

Glen Archibald, Holland Landing, 1 year old on Friday, Dec. 26.

Ruth King, Brownhill, 13 years old on Tuesday, Dec. 30.

Paul Douglas Gibbons, Newmarket, 1 year old on Tuesday, Dec. 30.

Anne Foster, R. R. 1, Zephyr, 7 years old on Wednesday, Dec. 31.

Georgina Rose Allen, Newmarket, 15 years old on Wednesday, Dec. 31.

Send in your name, address, age and become a member of the Newmarket Era and Express birthday club.

Our readers write

Letters to the editor are always welcome but the names of the writers must be known to the editor.

The Editor: After reading in a recent issue of the Era and Express the comments made by one of your regular correspondents who writes "The Top Six Inches", I felt it my duty to write you regarding some of the extravagant statements made by him about our farm organizations in York County.

This is the second time in one year that he has seen fit to indulge in destructive criticism of York County farm organizations. I would like to remind him that indulging in destructive criticism, and not offering any workable solution, is in very bad taste and the public as a whole very seldom accepts it.

I would like to remind him also that York County is fast becoming a county where we have possibly too many such farms as he operates for the good of farm organizations such as the Federation of Agriculture.

I would also like to draw to your correspondent's attention the fact that we have in the Province of Ontario a very active Federation of Agriculture. If he had attended any one of the annual meetings held during the month of January of our provincial organization, he would have known a little more about the organization that he so strenuously likes to tear apart.

In our own county our federation organization is steadily growing. Of the seven townships north of Steele's Ave. four are organized and have their own active federations. Three of these townships are supporting their federations financially by a direct levy on the farmers in their townships. The other rural townships each give a grant to the federation. I could go on and mention other advances in our organization that show a steady growth in our county over the past few years. Your correspondent does not seem to like our rate of growth. Let me remind him that Rome was not built in a day.

Also to the farmers in York County who might have read last week's article and who are now reading this, I would like to point out that I do not think our Federation of Agriculture is near perfect. We have come a long way over the past few years and it is with your further and added support, both morally and financially that our future depends.

Yours truly,
Frank Marritt,
Vice President,
York County Federation of Agriculture.

Miss Eva Gilroy and Mrs. A. Gilroy are spending Christmas at Mr. Russell Gilroy's in Oakville.

We had a light fall of snow for the Christmas season and still fairly mild weather.

The Christian church enjoyed a fine Christmas service on Sunday morning with a good attendance and special Christmas music.

Mrs. Thos. Rigler, Mr. Gleason Rigler and Miss Myrtle Lloyd, all of Toronto, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lloyd and Mrs. Vera Herring.

Miss Roslyn VanNorman is at home from Toronto for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Redditt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGerney and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Redditt, Toronto, spent Christmas with relatives in Cannington.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Cowieson were Christmas guests of Mrs. Cowieson's parents in Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Pollock and Mrs. S. Kennedy were in Newmarket at Mr. and Mrs. Ferg Taylor's home for Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Pollock and family spent Christmas day with Mr. Pollock's parents in Toronto.

Glad to hear that Mrs. James Wright, who is ill at her daughter's home in Toronto, is slowly improving.

Mrs. Gordon Smith is in Western hospital, Toronto, recovering from a serious operation.

SUTTON LEGION

On Monday, Dec. 15, the Sutton Legion met to hold the election of officers for 1953. Hard-working Comrade George Kernohan was put in as president, replacing Lew Tompkins, with his first vice-president, another energetic legion worker, Lorne O'Dell.

The previous Tuesday the Ladies' auxiliary of the Sutton and District Legion branch, held their election of officers for 1953 and appointed their executive for the coming year. Mrs. Wesley Scott is their new president; Mrs. Jack Crittenden, first vice-president; Mrs. C. Bullock, second vice-president; secretary, Mrs. F. Sweeney; treasurer, Mrs. Grant Bones and an executive comprising of Mrs. H. Matt, Mrs. George Kernohan, Mrs. Clarence Chapelle and Mrs. Vince Charpentier.

Canada's Eskimos are divided into two cultural groups — the Eskimos of the Eastern Arctic and the Indian or Caribou People.

**Citizens of
North Gwillimbury**

I am deeply grateful for the honor you have bestowed in electing me to serve as your reeve for 1953. I shall always endeavor to be worthy of the trust and authority you have vested in me.

With best wishes to one and all for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Roy Pollock, Reeve

CLASSIFIEDS GET RESULTS

**YEAR'S
NEW
GREETINGS**

With the dawn of another year, may we take this opportunity to express our sincerest thanks to all our many friends and customers who have supported us so wholeheartedly in 1952.

In the year ahead we hope that you will find a full measure of health, happiness and prosperity.

Store will be open all day Wednesday, Dec. 31

Harry's Dry Goods

The friendly store at the bottom of the hill

Main St., Opp. Rotford Newmarket Ph. 864

**YORK COUNTY
SOIL & CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**

ANNUAL MEETING

TOWN HALL, NEWMARKET
WED., JAN. 7th, 10.30

Guest Speakers

STANLEY TALIMAN, Research Department,
M-H. Farms, Milliken

"New Developments in Farm Machinery"

DR. D. N. HUNTLEY, Field Husbandry Department
Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph
"Handling Farm Crops"

Discussion Period
Frank Barnes, Schomberg
President

Free Lunch
W. M. Cockburn, Newmarket
Secretary

Warble-Fly Control for Whitchurch Township

The most popular method of control is spray for beef cattle and brush treatment for dairy cattle. The pressure equipment used for spraying weeds can be used for spraying cattle. There are two treatments required each year the first, April 1st to 18th; the second May 1st to 31st. There must be two thirds of the cattle owners in each municipality sign a petition asking for warble-fly control. On receipt of this petition the township council shall pass a by-law requiring all cattle within the municipality to be treated for warble fly. The Ontario Government shall make a grant to reimburse the municipality of 50% of the inspectors' salary and travelling expenses and the cost of derris powder. The charge to the farmer would be around 15 cents per animal per treatment.

The Whitchurch Township Federation of Agriculture is sponsoring this warble-fly control project. The Township Federation feel that the farm people of Whitchurch should make more use of this organization. With the British market closed to most Canadian farm produce and a high tariff party coming into power in the U.S.A., it would seem our only market is our domestic market. It is estimated that with the exception of grain, our home market would consume all our farm produce. In order to insure a constant supply and not over produce, it may become necessary to have a quota system for farm produce.

**WHITCHURCH UNIT FEDERATION OF
AGRICULTURE**

Edgar Dennis, President Ross Armitage, Secretary

USE OUR WANT ADS TO... BUY SELL RENT TRADE

HOUSE FOR SALE

7-ROOM house, small stable, garage, 3 acres of land, close to church, school and shopping centre. Write P.O. box 28, Keswick, or phone 1937, Rock's Point. *3w52

NEW, 6-roomed bungalow, oil heated, hardwood in front rooms, nice lawn, lot 60'x200'. Priced right for quick sale. Murray Baker, phone 651, Newmarket. *127

\$3,000. DOWN, 5 room bungalow, hardwood floors throughout, tile in kitchen and bathroom, oil heated with air conditioning, 4-piece bath upstairs, 3-piece bath in basement, with basement apartment or finished recreation room. Phone Newmarket 564w. *14w51

FARM FOR SALE

100 ACRE dairy farm, near Aurora, fully equipped. Would consider house as part payment. Write Era and Express box 251. *2w1

STORE FOR RENT

STORE at 127 Main St., Newmarket. Possession January 1. Apply A. E. Jarvis, 60 Queen St. E., phone 1078, Newmarket. *1w1

STORE for rent, with apartment in rear, on Main St., Newmarket. Possession February 1. Apply A. E. Jarvis, 60 Queen St. E., phone 1078, Newmarket. *1w1

ROOM AND BOARD

ANYONE desiring a room, or room and board, apply 138 Prospect St., phone 71, Newmarket. *2w52

ROOMS WANTED

YOUNG married couple with 2-month old baby require 2 unfurnished rooms. Phone Baldwin 14316, Toronto. *1w1

ROOMS FOR RENT

2 FURNISHED rooms, suitable for light housekeeping, close to bus, non-drinkers, no children. Phone 3911, Newmarket. *1w1

APARTMENT FOR RENT

UNFURNISHED 3-room apartment, downstairs, heated. Phone 1353w, Newmarket. *1w1

ARTICLES FOR SALE

COOKING stove, in good condition. Dutch bicycle, Apply D. Mulder, 44 Davis Drive, E., phone 272, Newmarket, after 6 o'clock. *2w1

MAN'S leather coat, fur collar, \$5. Phone 246w, Newmarket. *1w1

UPHOLSTERING

Chesterfield suites expertly re-upholstered and recovered. Free estimates, free pickup and delivery. All work approved by the Dept. of Health, workmanship guaranteed. *1w1

DYER'S FURNITURE

CALL 1250 NEWMARKET *140

RUGS, broadloom. Save up to 50 percent. New rugs from old rugs, woollens and discarded clothing. Reversible, seamless & approximately 12" thick. Made in latest color tones. Phone Newmarket, 857m. *140

DRAPERY, SLIP COVERS

BEDSPREADS
VENETIAN BLINDS
Custom Made

Senecal's

RAY COODS - DRAPERIES - GUEST COODS
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VENETIAN BLINDS

ALUMINUM or steel. Made for all styles of windows. Kirsch drape tracks, drape arms and pin hooks, etc. Free estimates and installations. Phone 755, or apply Harold Craddock, 40 Ontario St. W., Newmarket. *140

LADY'S skis, poles and boots, size 6 to 7 1/2. \$15, nearly new. Phone 1388, Newmarket. *3w51

WANTED TO BUY

CALF for vealing. Phone 1922, Mount Albert. *1w1

WORK WANTED

PARTY time! You'll need a baby sitter! Experienced, capable ladies available day or evening at reasonable rates. Phone 922m, Newmarket. *3w51

Are you thinking of tiling your kitchen or bathroom floor? If so, please call 1262, Newmarket, for free estimates for rubber, marble, marbled, jasper and glass wall tile. R. J. Rundle and Son, 140 Andrew St., Newmarket. *140

NEW carpet, draperies, bedspreads, etc., made-to-measure. Phone 1154, Newmarket. *140

WORK WANTED

UPHOLSTERING
Chesterfield suites, occasional chairs, rebuilt, recovered in any fabric. Apply Ken Sargent, 85 Gorham St., or phone 382, Newmarket. *140

WANT your radio repaired in a hurry and guaranteed? Phone Newmarket 1232. *140

TRANSPORTATION WANTED

TO Toronto, 5 days weekly. Leaving approximately 6:30 a.m. Phone 1217, Newmarket. *1w1

HELP WANTED

DOORMAN for Roxy Theatre, Newmarket, three nights per week. Apply manager. *1w1

ASSISTANT cook required at York County hospital. Apply Superintendent, Newmarket. *1w1

USED CARS

CLEARING SPECIALS

1942 CHEVROLET 5 passenger coupe \$350.
1940 OLDSMOBILE Coach \$350.
1938 NASH coach \$225.
1937 CHEV. coach \$200.
1937 OLDSMOBILE sedan \$195.
1937 FORD coach \$75.
1936 DODGE sedan \$150.
1934 CHEV. coach \$50.
All cars winterized and in running order.
See our later model good used cars.

TOM BIRRELL & SONS LTD

Ford Sales and Service
Davis Dr., E., Newmarket
Phone 740 *1w1

USED TRUCKS FOR SALE

AI USED TRUCKS GUARANTEED

TRAILER FOR SALE

IMPLEMENTS FOR SALE

LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

LIVESTOCK WANTED

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LUMBER FOR SALE

3000 feet of 1" Poplar at \$60. per M; 3000 feet of 1 and 2" Elm, Maple, Birch and Ash at \$60. per M; 2000 feet of Basswood; 140 feet 2x4x8 Cedar. At Sawmill, Sutton West, Robert Riddell. *1w1

WOOD FOR SALE

STOVE wood. Mixed hardwood. Delivered. Phone 4210, Mount Albert. *151

PETS

CANARIES. Beautiful singers \$8. Hens \$1.50. Baby Budgies \$8. Cages and supplies. Breeding cages. African violets 50 colors. 50c each. Mrs. Wm. Agar, Beeton, phone 84. *5w39

TOY Manchester terriers from champion stock. Glen Aubrey Kennels, Aubrey Avenue, Oak Ridges, King 912. *3w52

LOST

DOG, black and white, 15" beagle. Phone Bert Morrison 158. *1w1

WILL the person who found a new wallet containing approximately \$100, and the name Mrs. June Turner, on Monday, Dec. 22, please return it to Apt. 1B, 150 Main St., Newmarket. Reward. *1w1

YELLOW gold wrist watch, with "Santal" on back and tiny blue medal. Between Catholic church and Queen St., on Christmas eve. Phone 3471, Newmarket. *1w1

BLACK key tainer with dome fastener. Number of keys. In Post Office or Bank of Montreal. Liberal reward. Apply 57 Gorham St., or phone 234, Newmarket. *1w1

Boy's hockey skates, at Office Specialty Mfg. employment office, on Saturday. Phone 368w, Newmarket. *1w1

MISCELLANEOUS

CONSTANTLY buying all kinds of scrap iron, sheet metal. Prompt country-wide pickup. Also used pipes in angles for sale. Northern Steel and Metal Co., Davis Dr. E., phone 1416, Newmarket. *5w40

COME in and compare. We will not knowingly be undersold by any competitor anywhere. You be the judge. Dyer's Furniture plant 1250, Newmarket. *140

All-herbal rheumatic tablets for muscular, arthritic, neuritic and sciatic pains. Price \$1.00. Best Drug Store, phone 14, Newmarket. *1w1

MUCOUS IN THROAT
Throat Pink Tablets for the nose and throat, for the dropping of mucous discharge, sensation of the lump in the throat and other disturbances. These are the same reliable pink tablets that have been used for many years by adults and children with good results. Price \$1.00; \$1.75; \$2.50. The Best Drug Store, phone 14, Newmarket. *1w1

THE BEST BRONCHIAL COUGH SYRUP
For coughs, colds and bronchitis. A prompt and effective remedy for the relief of bronchitis, light or chesty coughs and colds. 75 cents. The Best Drug Store, Newmarket. *1w1

FOR SALE OR RENT
Hospital bed, wheel and invalid chairs. Theaker and Son, Mount Albert 3503. *140

Trusses, surgical supports, elastic hosiery for those who suffer from varicose veins, ankle and knee trouble. Art's supports, Lumbago belts. Best Drug Store, phone 14, Newmarket. *1w1

We repair all makes of sewing machines. New machines \$89.50. Singer Sewing Center, Newmarket, 138 Main St., phone 1075. *140

GOODMAN'S SALVAGE COMPANY
USED pipes, steel posts, T-beams, angle irons, plates, bolts, etc., in all sizes. Many other items. Various sizes. Phone 305, Davis Drive, Newmarket. *148

PIANO AND THEORY
A.T.C.M. GRADUATE
Pupils prepared for Conservatory Exams. Will visit home in Newmarket. Phone Mrs. M. Scott, 18514 or 11, Newmarket, for particulars. *2w1

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Two cents a word, minimum of 50 cents for each advertisement. Half price when advertisement is repeated on successive weeks. Ten percent discount if advertisement is paid within week of publication.

Coming Events costs two cents a word, minimum 50 cents. Sale Registers, \$1 for the first week, 50 cents for each successive week.

Card of Thanks, Wedding and Engagement announcements, 75 cents for each announcement less 25 cents if paid within week of publication.

In Memoriams, 75 cents for each insertion plus 5 cents a line for verse, less 25 cents if paid within week of publication.

Classified advertising may be phoned into, or left at The Era and Express office on Main St., Newmarket, phone 750; at Whitelaw's Gift Store, Yonge St., Aurora, or Aurora office, phone 656; Aurora; at Mrs. L. E. Rolling, phone 8, King; or with any correspondent. Advertisements accepted through the mail where name of sender and address is clearly indicated.

Your advertisement gets into nearly 4,000 homes in North York.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FLORENCE E. GRANDY, LATE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST GWILLIMBURY, IN THE COUNTY OF YORK, SPINSTER, DECEASED.
Creditors of the above-named deceased, who died at the Township of East Gwillimbury, in the County of York, on or about the 6th day of December, 1952, are hereby notified pursuant to the Trustee Act to send to the undersigned proof of their claim on or before the 1st day of February, 1953, after which date the assets of the Estate will be distributed having regard only to the claim of which the undersigned will then have notice.
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Ernest F. Grandy, Executor by his solicitors,
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IN THE

King City And District

Mrs. Laura Roling, Phone 8, correspondent

Bob Walker Is New President
Early in January the installation of officials of King Legion, Branch 433, will be held when Bob Walker will be invested as the new president; Joseph McGrath, the retiring president, as secretary-treasurer; Jack Jones, first vice-pres.; William Murray, second vice-pres.; and A. E. Campbell, Fred Judges, Hugh Leckhart, the executive committee. Gordon Smith, is sgt.-at-arms; Russell Shipley and Fred Judges, color bearers.

H. A. Phelps will continue as chairman of the poppy fund. D. M. Findlay and Comrade Phelps are branch representatives of the zone. Work on the Legion's new club rooms on Dew St. is to go ahead when it is expected that the outside shell will be finished by the end of December. Jack Jones, building contractor, and the building committee have authorized to proceed with necessary steps to shape up the hall so that inside work can be applied during the winter months. President Bob Walker is interested in completing the building which will be residential in appearance, having two picture windows, with insul brick siding.

This week power saws were getting lumber ready and no delay is anticipated.

Chimes Inspire Worshippers

The peeling of the newly installed chimes from All Saints' Anglican church is an inspiration at the Christmas season, as the carols ring out for a distance of five miles. They can be played from the pipe organ or can be used with records, as the occasion demands. The lighted evergreen tree on the church lawn emphasized the Christmas season. The chimes called the worshippers to the Christmas eve service, when the rector, Rev. D. C. H. Mitchell, delivered a Christmas message in the glow of white candles, set amidst greenery that decorated the church.

The service at King United church on Dec. 21 was a composition of carol singing and a special message by the minister, Rev. M. R. Jenkinson, when the colored lights on the tall Christmas tree gave splendid effect. Numbers were sung by a mixed quartette, Mrs. Adam Davidson, Mrs. John Dew, John Dew and Jack Parsons. The choir rendered special anthems, under the direction of the organist, Mrs. Ewart Patton. After the service, Mrs. Patton entertained the choir at her home.

Has 82nd Birthday

Miss Alice Ferguson had her 82nd birthday on Saturday, Dec. 20, but under rather unfavorable circumstances. She became ill that day and had to summon a doctor. Miss Ferguson has always been so hearty and active and her friends are very sorry to see her indisposed. On the previous day to her bad spell, she spoke to the little children who attend Mrs. B. G. Jackson's kindergarten class, when a Christmas party was held. She is the village's story lady, and brought a special treat for the little folk.

Yuletide Family Gatherings

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McBride for Christmas was a cousin, Mrs. Ruby Gillham, and Mr. Harold Nebrick of Buffalo, Miss Grace White of Toronto and the daughters, Lois McBride of McDonald College, Guelph, and Mary McBride.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gillham, married on Dec. 20, were part of the family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hollinshead, a sister of the bride who was Elizabeth Douglas. Also in the party was the mother, Mrs. Fred Douglas, and son Murray, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Sanderson of Toronto, the latter a sister of Mrs. Hollinshead. The Gillhams are back from their honeymoon trip in the United States and are making their home at Brampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Campbell and Kay were with the Nobles at King City on Dec. 25, while the Aubrey Campbells entertained her sister, Isabel, and husband, Chris Hawkins, of Toronto.

Mr. Albert Richards of Kinghorn is enjoying festivities at Detroit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKay. He went by bus and intends to stay for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bradbury and two children, St. Catharines, came to the home of Bruce Rawlings on Wednesday and are remaining over until the weekend.

The Burns family of Kinghorn and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wells of Toronto spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis.

Miss Dorothy Armstrong and her friend, Miss Bessie Halbert of Toronto, are in Florida at St. Petersburg, where they are the guests of Miss Halbert's uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Grew entertained Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Hardcastle of Ottawa, with whom they have spent Christmas for the past 12 years. The friends remained for a few days.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dinnick, Eversley, were the mother, Mrs. Louise Dinnick, the John Belknap family, the Wilfred Dinnick family of Yonge St.

Miss Eliza Fisher was a Christmas day visitor of her friend, Mrs. E. M. Wells, Toronto.

Miss Carol Norrad, Eversley teacher, is spending Christmas vacation at her home in Boileau, N.B. Miss Betty Clapp, principal of Strange school, is at the home of her parents,

Mr. and Mrs. George Climpson, Baldwin, Miss Eva Dennis, principal of King school, joined her family at St. Thomas, and Miss Doris Patton left at the closing of school for a tour of Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howitt, former school inspector of King township, is on an extended vacation in Florida.

Dr. J. T. Phair and Mrs. Phair, E. B. Phair's, Dr. Bill Phair and the Drinkwater family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ryland New of Oakville.

As Christmas remembrances, King legion ladies' auxiliary sent flowers to war veteran George Bainbridge, who is in Sunnybrook hospital again and presented flowers to Mr. Arthur Green, who is convalescing from a long illness at his apartment. Mr. and Mrs. Green were joined by their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kemp, Niagara Falls, and their son, Robbie, for Christmas and will have them with them again for New Year's.

President of W.A.

Succeeding Mrs. Raymond Burt, Mrs. Alfred Gillham, Strange, has been elected president of All Saint's W.A. of which Mrs. G. D. Lockhart is honorary president. When the nominating committee presented the slate of officers at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Wells, on Dec. 18, the list was accepted.

Other officers are, Mrs. Fred Monson, Vice Pres., replacing Mrs. Gillham; Mrs. Dan Rawlings, secretary and Mrs. Harry Cunningham, re-elected; Mrs. Len Robb, dorcas secretary; Mrs. Frank Gambrill, living message secretary; Mrs. H. H. Alexander and Mrs. Gordon Tetley, educational.

Mr. Peter Clark and daughter, Kay, attended the funeral of Mr. William J. Thompson, held at Mount Albert, Dec. 18, whose twin, Mrs. Edwin Abrams, Scott township, passed away a few weeks earlier. The Thompsons were neighbors of the Clark family of the sixth concession of Scott, as pioneer settlers.

Miss Una L. Kennedy, Niagara Falls, is spending the holiday season at the home of her niece, Mrs. Laura Roling.

Mrs. William Williams, Laskay, is pleased to state that her grandson, Keith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams, Scarborough, was allowed to leave his room in the Brantford Sanatorium, and meet his parents to have Christmas dinner with them in that city.

Keith, who is 19, has been in hospital for a year and has been allowed two half-hour periods a day when he can sit up.

Miss Patricia Deane will go to Cooksville telephone exchange on relief duty for a couple of weeks. She leaves Sunday evening and will have a boarding place there. She was at Maple exchange for a week.

Mrs. H. H. Alexander, 3rd line, has just returned by air from England and Scotland where she and her daughter, Betty, went by boat last August. It was many years since Mrs. Alexander had seen England, her birthplace, and members of her family. At Swindon, Wiltshire, where her people live, much of the countryside has been built up.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander and daughter Mary, had a quiet Christmas at "The Pines", as Betty is remaining in Devonshire where she is attending school; L.A.C. Harry Alexander and Cpl. Peter Alexander are in Montreal, where Peter is with the Quebec Command.

Presentation Of New Car

On Friday and Saturday evenings, January 9 and 10, Mr. W. W. Drinkwater of the Bill Drinkwater Motors will be host at Open House, when the formal presentation of the new Chevrolet Bel-Air, four-door sedan will be made at the spacious garage in King City. Commencing at 7:30 each evening, an invitation is extended to the community to participate in this unique feature, when response by hundreds of visitors is anticipated by Mr. Drinkwater, who is making extensive preparations for the event, which is the first of its kind in the village. The scene will be set in an attractive decorative arrangement. A public address system will carry the speeches to every corner of the establishment. Modernization of the garage by an annex and new office space will provide ample room for everyone. Refreshments will be served by the W.A. of King City United church, convened by Mrs. I. L. Scott. Lucky draws will be made on both nights.

Yuletide Treat

A parcel of jams, jellies and other goodies as well as \$11 worth of fresh fruits were presented by Eversley Presbyterian W.A. and the W.M.S. to the old folk of York County Home during the Christmas season.

The W.M.S. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Ball, Dec. 10, when two young girls contributed to the program. Carolyn Shropshire and Judith Armstrong sang, "Little Children Do You Know", accompanied by Mrs. Shropshire. Judith played the piano for Carolyn when she sang, "Away in a Manger". The January meeting of the society will be held on the 21st of the month, when Miss Alice Ferguson will be hostess at the home of Miss Jessie Gellatly. The committee

appointed to arrange the 1953 program is Mrs. Watson Ferguson, Mrs. H. Neill, Mrs. R. Farren, Mrs. Jas. Ball, Mrs. T. L. Williams and Mrs. Jno. Phillips. Membership fees will be due at that time.

Mrs. T. L. Williams poured tea for a reception, held at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Gordon Sinclair, Sudan Ave., Toronto, when Mrs. Sinclair's mother, Mrs. Sarah Badger, celebrated her 80th birthday, on Sunday afternoon and evening, Dec. 21. Mrs. Badger is Mrs. Williams' aunt, and is a sister of Mr. James Patton of King City.

King City Lions held ladies' night at Ridge Inn on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, with 41 partaking dinner. Afterward many remained for bridge and euchre. President John Dew was master of ceremonies.

The Yuletide entertainment, given by the pupils of Strange school on Dec. 16, was very successful. The children performed well in singing, recitation and a comic dress play. It was Miss Betty Climpson's first experience in conducting a school concert and to direct 43 students was no easy task. Marvin Hunter, secretary of S.S. 4 was chairman. Rev. D. C. Witherspoon, King City, who conducts religious instruction in the school weekly, spoke highly of the teacher's work and the conduct of the children. The classroom was filled to capacity and Santa made his annual visit.

New Tenders

Application for tenders to operate King rural mail route 3, will be closed on January 2, 1953. The federal government called for a second tender in this connection when tenders submitted on a previous occasion did not meet with approval by the postal department. After the retirement of Mr. Frank Gambrill in September, Mr. Bob O'Reilly took a temporary contract. He was followed by Mr. Harold O'Brien who is carrying on in a temporary capacity. Mr. O'Brien can submit his tender if he so desires.

New Classroom in S. S. 13

A loan of \$7,500 has been granted to S. S. 13, by King City council to erect a portable classroom as an addition to the one-room school. The allowance is taken from the township's common school fund and will run for a period of 10 years. The section will be required to pay back some \$900 annually to include principal and interest. By using this system, the expenditure of selling debentures is eliminated and the township's schools benefit financially from the interest accrued, the reverse explained. Returns to 26 school sections are based on average attendance. In instances where large debentures are not required for school improvements, the common school fund, or the old clergy reserve fund is accessible for loans.

Work on the new room commenced last week and with weather permitting it is expected to be ready for the re-opening of school in the new year. The school population is over 50. Mrs. George Edwards has been assisting the principal, Robert Meredith, staggering the classes in two shifts, 9-12 noon, and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Edwards will teach grades 1, 2 and 3 in the new room.

Reduction in Mill Rate
There is a likelihood that the trustee mill rate on S. S. 2 King township can be reduced by three mills or more in 1953. This was disclosed when the financial report for 1952 was presented to ratepayers at the annual meeting at King City school on Dec. 17.

The reduction is seen from a legislative grant of \$1,245 on the principal and interest payment of the school debenture. Trustee Keens said it was expected that the grant would go to the township council which issued the \$30,000 debenture issue to finance a new classroom and renovations to the main part of the building.

The department of education paid about 54 percent grant of the amount paid toward the debenture. It is the first school grant the school section has received in this respect. A township official explains that the government has not always paid a debenture grant direct to school sections. The system was adopted recently for the direct benefit of school sections. But the department expects the grant to be spent wisely.

The total legislative grants for 1952 are \$4,774.31. The township tax levy and grants brought the section \$8,023.59, which includes a grant on teachers' salary and income from the clergy reserve fund. Total receipts, including the balance carried over from December 1951, were \$10,628.80.

It will be recalled that when ratepayers were asked to approve a debenture to enlarge the school, they were told by the chairman, Mr. Keens, that the first year was the costliest, that government grants on debenture payment would afterward reduce the mill rate. Mr. Keens has the satisfaction of seeing this come directly to the taxpayer. Unless some unforeseen expenditure arises, this can be put into effect, he states.

Plowmen Hold Banquet
Norm Garlock, farm broadcaster on radio station C.B.L., was the guest speaker at the annual turkey banquet given by King and Vaughan Plowmen's Association on Dec. 12. Nearly 70 met in the Sunday school room at Kleinburg United church. Mr. Garlock told of

IT'S WARMER THAN EXPECTED - ONLY 20 BELOW



Airborne personnel of the Royal Canadian Engineers taking part in Exercise "Reluctant Beaver", designed to test men and airdrop equipment in engineering operations under Arctic conditions, have not been getting the expected 40 degrees below zero weather but at 20 degrees below zero on a flat plain with a screaming wind, hot liquids prove very refreshing. Above, senior officers, representing three countries, wait on hot soup being prepared by Spr. Leo Cullerier of Kapuskasing, Ont. The officers are, left to right: Major A. C. Cooper, Royal Engineers, British Army; Brig. H. W. Love, Exercise Director and Commander of the Northwest Highway System, and Lieut.-Col. N. R. Archer, 406 Engineer Brigade, U.S. Army. The exercise is being undertaken in the Yukon 1,400 miles northwest of Edmonton.

how the farm broadcast aims to assist farmers with latest reports on market prices and trends. Other speakers were Reeve McMurchy, Vaughan T.P., and Reeve Armstrong, King T.P. Mr. H. E. Ross was appointed field manager for the 1953 match, which will be held in King township next October.

QUEENSVILLE

A very happy and prosperous New Year to all our readers!

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Craig and Susan, Detroit, Mich., spent the Christmas holiday with Mrs. Craig's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fiffeld.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Henderson are spending the holiday season with their son in Fort William.

Rev. and Mrs. Stebbner and son, Warton, spent Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Erickson and baby.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smith were Mr. and Mrs. G. Silverthorn and sons, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ringland and Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miles, all of Irlington Mr. Nelson Miller, Niagara Falls and Mrs. Jacob Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pinder entertained the members of their family and their children on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Peregrine and sons, and Mrs. Frank Milne had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Evans, Toronto.

Mrs. P. Boag entertained her family and grandchildren on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dew spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Dew.

Mrs. S. Sennett is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Bruels, Sutton West.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Spencer and family, Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Spencer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wright.

Mrs. J. A. Irwin spent Christmas with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Annot and family, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Wellman and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Wellman.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Winger were Mr. and Mrs. E. Gooding and family, Uttersen Mr. and Mrs. V. Gooding and family, Dundalk, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Doner, Gormley, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Jones and family, Markham, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Milsted.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Salmon and family had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Salmon, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Dyer, Toronto, spent their wedding anniversary on Saturday with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. Salmon.

The cold weather over the weekend enabled Mr. Bert Boyd to start flooding the arena. The children and young people are looking forward to skating. There will be skating on New Year's eve from 10 p.m. to 12:15 a.m. and Thursday evening, Jan. 1, from 8 to 10 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray MacMillan entertained the members of the King family for Christmas.

Mr. Bob Cranley, St. Francis Xavier Seminary, spent a few days with his uncle and aunt, the Cranley family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hanrahan and son, Lansing, spent Sunday at the Hulse home.

Miss Laura Thompson, Toronto spent Christmas with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Thompson.

Miss Mary Marsh is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. B. Aylward.

Misses Ann and Marian Mainprize, Belhaven, spent a few days with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Smith.

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Miss Marion VanNostrand of Sudbury is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur VanNostrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Currie, Bradford, Miss Marion VanNostrand, Sudbury, Mr. and Mrs. George VanNostrand and daughter Ann, had Christmas dinner with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur VanNostrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Pogue, Martha Ann, Carolyn and Jimmie spent Christmas day with Mrs. Pogue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cookson, Stratford.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morley, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley and Billie had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Grimshaw, Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. John Irwin, Johnnie and Barbara and Mr. Robert Irwin, Toronto, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Willis Jarvis and family at Sunderland.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kingdon and Bill spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Gardhouse and family at Thistletown.

Mr. Harry Guthrie is staying with his brother, Mr. Leo Guthrie, Toronto.

Miss Louise Carroll spent a few days at Christmas with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sheppard, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wright and little daughter spent Christmas day with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Bert Baber, Jack and Harry.

Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner, Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Baber, had dinner on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Basil Baber, Newmarket.

Mr. Alvin Mackie had Sunday supper last week with Mr. Jack Baber.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley and Billie had Christmas supper with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Scott, England, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell, Marilyn and Jimmie, Toronto, Mr. Angus Grant, Orangeville, Mr. Bob Rostance, Toronto, Mr.

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and Mrs. Long, David and Tony and Mrs. Wicks had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sleeth and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sleeth and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Scott and Miss Laura Mae Coulson and Mrs. Wicks had Sunday dinner with their aunt, Mrs. Hayes, and Marion, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Aylett, Sr., and Mrs. Kathleen Dunn and Albert had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Aylett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley, Mrs. H. A. White attended the funeral on Tuesday of Mrs. H. A. Duncan, Todmorden.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. White had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Shirley White and family, Bethesda.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. White, Agincourt, and Mr. James White, Sunnybrook hospital, had Sunday tea with Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Oliver spent Christmas day with Mrs. Percy Allen, Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cook and Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richardson, all of Toronto, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Richardson, and family.

First Vice is Wes Tobey and second Vice is Alex Hands. Treasurer Gordon Downward and secretary Bill Tulloch were both in by acclamation.

The executive members voted in were as follows: Chic Roney, Mickey Smith, Jr., Cecil Jarvis, Ken Miller, Walter Groves, Albert Skelton, and Herb Lawrence. The two Sgts.-at-Arms elected by acclamation were Sid Brice and Bob Stickwood. Cemetery representatives for the year are Alfred Smith, Sr., and Fred Speed.

Next Bingo, January 7, will have good prizes, lots of winners. Boost Comrade Sid Brice and his bingo committee. If you don't wish to play bingo, come out and help the committee.

The same goes for Comrade Clarence Allan and his Arena canteen committee.

Have you kept New Year's Eve open? Members and their wives or lady friends only. \$2.00 per couple. Hats, notions, etc., will be supplied. A good comradely evening is assured.

Well, the election of your executive for 1953 has been completed. Comrade Paul Tobey became president by acclamation.

Wishing one and all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year and all the good things that go with it.

We take pleasure in thanking you for our own good 1952

Sincerely,

Grant Fulsom, Tobaccos.

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NEWMARKET

The Common Round...

By Isabel Ingles Colville
'Twas the night before New Year's

I find each year that these verses give my New Year's wishes to the friends of this column. I wrote them just for that.

'Twas the night before New Year's
And all through the house
Every creature was stirring,
Yes, even the mouse.

No stockings were hung
In the chimney with care
For we knew old St. Nicholas
Wouldn't be there.

The children weren't nestled
All snug in their beds,
They were all out of doors
With their skates and their sleds.

Mama with her knitting
And I, with my book,
Had just settled down
In the warm inglenook.

When out on the lawn
There arose such a flutter
I sprang from my chair
And threw open the shutter.

The great moon was shining
As brightly as day
And there stood an angel
In shining array.

Right through the great window
So softly it came
Then hovered and watched us
With eyes like a flame.

Saying "What have you done
With the presents I gave,
The silver wrapped courage,
The love all men crave?"

The golden wrapped kindness
The gem studded faith,
Did you keep them or use them
All down through the year?

I looked at mama
And mama looked at me
And both looked as guilty
As we well could be.

With new eyes we gazed
Down the path we had come
And saw all the kindnesses
We might have done.

The swift words of comfort,
The calm words of hope,
The bright ray of faith
When sufferers grope.

Mid shadows of sorrow
On dark paths of fear,
And we saw we had failed much
Within the past year.

Then said the angel,
"I'll give you once more
The gifts which will open
My gifts as before."

So see that you use them—

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The Week Of Prayer, Jan. 5-8, 1953

will be observed in the churches and with the speakers herein named

Mon., Jan. 5 — FRIENDS CHURCH, Rev. J. T. Rhodes

Tues., Jan. 6 — GOSPEL TABERNACLE, Rev. A. E. Collins

Wed., Jan. 7 — CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, Rev. E. S. Bull

Thurs., Jan. 8 — CHRISTIAN BAPTIST, Rev. J. A. Millar

NEWS FROM BELL'S CORNER

The management is pleased to announce the new addition to our menu:

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served with creamed potatoes

CLOSING HOURS FOR WINTER

Monday	closed all day
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	8 p.m.
Friday, Saturday	1 a.m.
Sunday	12 p.m.

Our private dining room will be opened even after hours if reserved in advance.

MAKING BEST OF HOUSING SITUATION



This stork, too weak to fly south when the winter arrived in Germany, is making the best of housing problem by hibernating with a family of pigs in the village of Hillemeuehle. The big bird, caught by some boys who seemed to understand its predicament, eats 1½ pounds of fish a day.

IT'S A Woman's World

By CAROLINE ION

English pantomime made its initial appearance on the Newmarket stage on Boxing day when the Newmarket Dramatic Club, in collaboration with the Betty Gordon Dancing club presented the fairytale, "Jack and the Beanstalk". Three performances were given.

True to the traditions of pantomime, a long-legged girl, Laura Styke played the Principal Boy, Jack, and a man, Mike McMorrow, was the Dame, the stocky but coy. Widow Twankey. Lovely costumes, colorful settings, music, song and dance routines, combined with new lighting effects to make it an evening of fun for actors and audience.

Casting was ably handled with possibly one exception. One character, Odorous Egg (the bailiff's sister), was supposed to be a scrawny, unattractive female who was having difficulty in interesting Jack, or any man, in matrimony. Cast in that role was Fern Russell.

Even when acting as a shrew, she looked charming. More than one male in the audience was heard to comment, "Can't see why any of them would need to be coaxed to marry her," or "Where are your eyes, boy? Grab her."

But how can we talk about "Jack and the Beanstalk" without mentioning Clarabelle? For those who unfortunately missed the pantomime presentation, we did that Clarabelle was the cow. (Remember the one he sold for a bag of beans?) Now, Clarabelle may not have won any awards at the Royal Winter Fair, but for our money she was excellent.

Two light-footed young dancers, Peggy O'Halloran and Wanda Hill, as Clarabelle, delighted the audience with comic tap routine. Even in making her exit, Clarabelle drew applause. She must have taken a few rhumba lessons while attending Betty Gordon's dancing classes. There could be no other explanation for those rhythmic shakes as she retreated behind the curtain.

Another animal in the cast which deserves mention was the "Hen that laid the golden egg". It cackled with infinite satisfaction and rightly so for not since Easter time have we seen such an egg. It must have been a connoisseur of chicks who created such a fine bird. As the Hen and the beanstalk, have we mentioned it, as yet? With the sturdiness of a telephone pole, it bore the weight of various members of the cast as they mounted it to reach the castle of the Giant. Snufflegobbler (Nick Styke to his associates). Many a blow was required before Jack could fell the mighty beanstalk and bring the terrible giant to his doom. (Of course, we really didn't see the giant "being brought to his doom". But we did witness one of his enormous boots flying down, so he must have been "done in, proper-like.")

Jill, the giant's servant maid, was transformed into a radiant beautiful princess, when true to all fairy tales, the story ended with everyone "living happily ever after". Pat Dunn was Jack's pretty Jill. Her clear, sweet voice was in character with her role when, as the romantic female lead in the play, she sang several solos.

John Quinsey presented his second successful characterization in as many appearances behind the footlights. His spring-halt gait convulsed his audiences. The perfect counterpart was provided by young Wayne Wench as the bumptious Mr. Chips.

Coupled with this cast, members of the Dramatic club, were about two dozen young dancers, pupils of Betty Gordon. Eight small types, soft-shoe ballerinas, were the dainty fairies. Older girls entertained in song and dance as school children and vil-

Newmarket Social News

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCann, St. David's, spent Christmas and the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCann, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Gardiner.

—Mr. and Mrs. Orval Hisey spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tomlinson and daughter, Toronto.

—Beverly Hughes, seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hughes, came home on Christmas eve from York County hospital where she had undergone an appendectomy.

—Rev. and Mrs. R. G. Babcock and sons, Bruce, Harry and Lorne, spent Christmas with Mrs. Babcock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vansickle, Marmora.

—Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Chappelle, Yonge St., spent Christmas with Mrs. Chappelle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCann.

—Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Evans plan to leave next week to spend the winter months in Sarasota, Florida.

—Miss Louise Russell, Toronto, spent the weekend in town, the guest of Mrs. Harry Hill.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hamman, Hamilton, spent the weekend with Mrs. Hamman's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jefferson and family.

—Holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ion and family included Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Young, Wallaceburg, Mrs. Allan Johnston and Mrs. E. A. Young, Toronto.

—W. M. Mino, accompanied by his son and daughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Mino, Judy and Lois, Calster Centre, visited on Boxing day with his mother, Mrs. Richard Mino, Hillsdale.

—Mr. and Mrs. Bud McCann, Guelph, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Woods and Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCann.

—Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hiltz and son, Terry, spent the weekend in Little Britain, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Smith.

—Wayne and Billy McCann and friends, Toronto, called on their grandparents over the Christmas holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hill and family, Uxbridge, visited on Christmas day at the home of their mother, Mrs. Harry Hill.

—Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Evans spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. George Barker, Sharon.

—Mr. and Mrs. Orval Hisey were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Primrose and family, Richmond.

—Miss Marjorie McCann and Miss Bobbie Rosenfeldt, Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays in town with relatives.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jamieson and family, accompanied by Mrs. L. P. Freeman, spent the Christmas holidays in London, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lunn.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hicks and daughter spent Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Hicks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hare, Holland Landing.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Waddington, Toronto, spent Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cook and daughters.

—Mr. and Mrs. Donald McCann and daughter, Sharon, Toronto, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCann.

—Christmas visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mino included Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Mino and daughters, Calster Centre, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sedore and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Bache.

—Holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hughston included: Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Tipping and boys, Tottenham; G. B. Agnew, Shoal Creek, Alberta; Mrs. Ross Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coveney, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Agnew, Tottenham; Mr. and Mrs. William Elliott, Courtland; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McCabe and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCabe and son and Mr. and Mrs. John McGrath and daughter.

—Mr. George A. Wilton Jr., left Toronto on Monday morning to take a course at O.A.C., Guelph.

—At a family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hall, for Christmas, were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Preston and family, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Woon, South Porcupine, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fairley and Rodney Windsor and Mrs. Arthur Prosser.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hill and two daughters, Nancy and Ruth, Beamsville, had supper Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wrightman, Newmarket, returning home the same night as their son Wayne was ill in bed at home.

—Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Myers and family, Gormley, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Wrightman and family, Newmarket, had a turkey dinner with their parents on Saturday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Rae and daughter, Carol Ann, Woodstock, and Mr. and Mrs. W. V. White, Toronto, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Harland.

—Holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Leeder were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leeder and Kathleen, Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Alver Leeder and family, Toronto; Mr. Frank Leeder and Miss Evelyn Bullock, Brampton, and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Leeder and family, Newmarket.

—Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Johnson for the Christmas holidays were Mr. C. E. Johnson, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Johnson and family, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson and family, Newmarket.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ponting and family spent the Christmas holiday at the home of Mrs. Ponting's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nicholls, Ottawa.

—Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hetland, Saskatoon, are spending the holiday season with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Proctor.

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News Of The W.I.

News for this column must be in the office Monday night. Copy must be written as briefly as possible and confined to news and reports. Other than routine reports and announcements will be printed separately.

The December meeting of Zephyr branch was held in the hall on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 17, with 15 members answering roll call, a shower for shut-ins. Two visitors were present. Christmas carols were sung. Ten dollars was sent to the Sick Children's hospital annual appeal. It was also decided to purchase 50 chairs for the hall. Next month's meeting being the annual men's night, the executive was left in charge of the evening's entertainment.

Mrs. E. Walker and Mrs. M. McNelly were new members elected to the hall board.

A short Christmas program was followed by a social half hour. The boxes for shut-ins were packed and delivered.

Union Street branch will meet at the home of Mrs. David English on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 2 p.m. Motto, "The only way you can preserve our heritage is to build upon it." Reply, Mrs. Irvine Ross. Roll call, an old landmark of the district. Topic, historical research and current events. Program committee, Mrs. W. Micks, Mrs. L. Johnston, Mrs. S. Shanks, Hostesses, Miss Violet Micks, Mrs. C. Hodgson, Mrs. D. Greenwood, Mrs. E. Breen.

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The Mount Albert W.I. will meet at the Community hall, on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 8 p.m. The roll call "My Favorite Kitchen Gadget and Display It". The program committee consists of Mrs. G. Braderick and Mrs. E. Crozier. This is an open meeting and the men are invited. Capt. Lawrence will be the guest speaker and the subject is "The Atomic Bomb". Everyone is welcome.

The Sharon W.I. will meet at the home of Mrs. E. Fry, on Wednesday, Jan. 7, at 2:30 p.m. Roll call "An Incident of Pioneer Days". Historical research, Mrs. C. Holmes; current events, Mrs. K. Shaw; refreshments Mrs. W. Oster, Mrs. L. Weddel and Mrs. E. Kiteley.

Spits Tumbled By Builders

Chasing a hat down a street on a windy day can give one a ridiculous, frustrating feeling. That's about the same feeling Newmarket Spitfires are experiencing this week. Spits moved into Collingwood Saturday night after a week's rest, primed, ready and determined to take a fall out of Eddie Bush's fast-closing Shipbuilders.

What happened, well, before the evening was over Spits were chasing their hats, the Shipbuilders and a 7-5 loss. That incidentally was the same score by which the Builders nipped the Spits here in their first meeting of the season.

For 48 minutes Spits' deter-

mination looked to have them set up for a win over the Bushmen. For up to the eight minute mark of the third, Spits led the Builders 4-3. To get that lead the Spits had to dig hard from behind a 3-1 middle of the second period deficit. Then the Spits' determination hit a snag. They drew two penalties in quick succession. While short-handed, Collingwood saw their opportunity and caught fire for four goals in four minutes. Result, a Spitfire 4-3 lead changed into a 7-4 deficit and it was a gone game for the Morrisonmen.

The line of Don Smith, Bill Johnston and Grant Firth spearheaded with four of the five goals. Don Smith made his mark with two and it was one each for his line-mate helpers. Spits' fifth and final goal came in the sixteenth minute, after Collingwood were 7-4 leaders, produced by Fred Haughton, Myles McInnis setting up the play. Defensesmen Ken Broughton and Jack Andrews and winger Grant Winters didn't get in on the goal scoring act but did draw assists in the Spits' cause.



WEEKLY PROGRAM Stouffville Arena

Friday, Jan. 2, 8.30 p.m. Senior B hockey

PETERBOROUGH vs STOUFFVILLE

Saturday, Jan. 3, 8 to 10.15 p.m. Public skating

Wednesday, Jan. 7, 8 to 10.15 p.m. Public skating

THE Calvert SPORTS COLUMN



by Elmer Ferguson

If I could re-roll the film of 1952, these are some of the things I'd like to see:

Terry Sawchuk in the Detroit Red Wings nets, playing any one of those incomparable shut-out games in the Stanley Cup series; Sugar Jim Henry, the Boston Bruin goalie, making his last gallant stand against the Canadiens in the Cup series, with his nose broken, his eyelids mere slits that had been carefully pried open before the game; Rocket Richard scoring goal No. 325 for a new National League record, unaware that his final shunt had sent the puck rolling in, turning deathly pale and almost fainting when he realized that the long strain, lasting five games, had ended at last.

Rod Smylie, making the 25 yard run after taking a 36-yard pass to snatch victory for Toronto Argonauts over Hamilton Ticks in the dying moments of the third playoff game to decide the Interprovincial football title; any of the races in which the great grey colt Native Dancer, 2-year-old champion of the year, spread-eagled his field; the fantastic ending to the Ray Robinson-Joejoe Maxim fight, when Robinson, out-weighted, collapsed from the fearful heat and his own exertions.

Emil Zatopek, grimacing and shadow-boxing his way to three Olympic triumphs on cinder-path and road, stamping him the greatest distance runner of our time; coach Casey Stengel of the champion Yankees juggling to make those amazing pitcher changes, in the last game of the world baseball series; Joe Black, tall, smiling, soft-spoken Negro pitcher starting the opening game of the series and winning it.

Big Jean Beliveau, giant Quebec Ace, and most-sought amateur by professional clubs, cranking up for one of his great free-wheeling rushes, then roaring along to score as the Quebecers blazed their trail to the Alexander Trophy; Milt Schmidt of Boston Bruins, one of the greatest of modern ice stars, whistling home goal No. 200, the night of March 18, and Bobby Bauer, of the immortal Boston Kraut line of Schmidt-Dumart-Bauer, returning for one glorious night in the Big Time, to score a goal; George Genevieve, a 17-year-old trap-shooting star from Saskatoon, with ice-water in his veins, winning for Canada its only gold medal at the Olympic games against the best shots in world.

And the film of 1952 wouldn't be complete unless you were sitting on the 50-yard line when Edmonton Eskimos overcame a 15-point deficit and went on to eliminate Calgary Stampeders in the western football race; and a week later, after losing the opener of the two-of-three final right in Edmonton to Winnipeg, took the final game to the amazement of everybody except Frankie Filchock, who called the shots all along.

What a film all that would be. I'd like to see it and so would everybody else.

Your comments and suggestions for this column will be welcomed by Elmer Ferguson, c/o Calvert House, 431 Yonge St., Toronto.

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STRIKES AND SPARES

The bowling boys and gals who regularly spill the pins at Joe Smith's and the North End alleys are taking life easy during the Christmas - New Year's holiday rush. Your strikes and spares columnist has this one wish for the bowlers in 1953, "May your best score in '52 be your worst in 1953". Happy New Year.

A note from the Thursday night ladies' league. Myrtle Dunn led the scoring with 662. Other scorers over 500 were Ede Hall 556, Faye Struthers 551, Vi Dales 540, Jean Scott 538, Olive Hughes 536, Helen Tomlinson 523, Ella Wilkins 503, Lorna Styke 502.

Hoffman league marksmen flashed a big scoring week in their bid for Christmas dinner. Bob LeShien topped the scoring with 768 (289-216-263). Other high ranking shotmakers were Keith Davis 700, Ivan Ruddock 696, Dan Gill 653, Jack Gleason 644, Alan Daniels 644, Geo. Hill 637, Roy Smalley 605.

Turkey winners were Dan Gill, Vorelone; Jack Gleason, Sheet Metal; Keith Davis, Machine Shop; Bob LeShien, Press Shop; Geo. Hill, Harry Hodge, Harry Fowler, Don Brown, Alan Daniels, members of Vorelone team won the chickens. Al Bryson won the hidden single prize and Frank Daniels won the hidden triple score award.

NORTH YORK HOCKEY MEET

Gord Hare, Keswick's super sportsman, has a bit of New Year's cheer for all the teams interested in a North York ladies' hockey league. Gord reports there will be a meeting to organize the North York Ladies hockey league in the Keswick arena, Friday, Jan. 2, at 8.30 p.m.

Each and every team interested in entering is asked to have a representative present. Special invitation is extended to Queensville, Mount Albert, Kettleby, Woodville, Newmarket and Aurora.

SPITS AT HOME JAN. 8

Newmarket Spitfires' next official home appearance in Big Eight Intermediate A O.H.A. action will be Thursday, Jan. 8. Visitors on that occasion will be Milton Co-ops. Spitfire executive were advised last week that Midland Flyers had dropped from the Big Eight race. That advice saved the Spits a trip to Midland Dec. 23 but has left them with a couple of open Thursday nights on the schedule.

Although it's not official, there's also a rumor that Fergus Big Eight basement dwellers have tossed in the sponge for this season.

RESUME JAN. 6

Newmarket and District hockeyists and their Aurora Town League opposites, after taking a week off to recover from the Christmas festivities, will spring back to action stations next Tuesday, Jan. 6.

In the N. & D.H.L. action in the Newmarket arena at 8 p.m., Vandroff will cross war clubs with Kettleby, and at 9.30 Town Regents will have a go at Mount Albert in what promises to be the prize game of the early 1953 season.

In the Aurora league at 7 p.m. York Rangers vs Flyers; 9 p.m., Ditch Diggers vs Chappie's Aces.

WINS MONEY DOLL

Alvin Rogers, 67 Timothy St. W., Newmarket, was the winner of the money doll raffled by the Newmarket Ladies hockey club. Draw was made at last Tuesday's town league hockey games.

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SPORT NEWS

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BY AD HULSE

New Year's musts include for Aurora a successful floodlight campaign and a junior C hockey championship; for Newmarket, Intermediate B baseball championship and P.S.W.U. crown for Charlie VanZant, plus at least a group championship for the Spits; for Schomberg, a bantam hockey flag for Doug Marchant's youngsters; for Bradford, the intermediate lacrosse crown; for Richmond Hill, artificial ice; for Woodbridge a revival of box-lacrosse, the most popular sport.

For Stouffville, another O. H. A. trophy for Bob Bangay's buckos; for Sutton, the Tri-County for the third straight, plus a successful venture into the O.B.A. playdowns; for Markham, the rural honors for Ernest Lawrie's Eagles and a softball championship to christen the new ball park appropriately; for Keswick at least one or two minor hockey cups;

For Nobleton, the junior D championship; for King a rural softball title for Bruce Hall and all the lads. Remember these are only wishful thoughts right now and not predictions as that not-so-bad to all of us Greybeard, Old Man '52 makes way for the rosy-cheeked cherub, Kid '53. Happy New Year!

Midland Shamrocks will open the New Year season of hockey at Aurora and with two straight losses to Owen Sound 10-2 and 7-4 staring them in the eye, the Aurora Bears will be all out for a win to regain the group leadership, now resident in Collingwood. The race promises to be a hot one as Owen Sound is now plenty potent and the Rocks are coming too.

Albert Sweeney, up from mid-level, played the nets on Friday against the Sound and did a fair chore. He looked a little nervous in the first period and then settled away nicely. All four clubs have used two goalies in the schedule and all four clubs are well protected in the nets. The insurance of Sweeney for Burke plugs a gap in the Aurora question mark. The kid will definitely do. Several of the Bears had better pull up their 'or or some of the juveniles will be moved up and new faces sought.

Might as well mention that Bill Smith, George Dempsey, Pepper Martin and Bob Hanna have not hit their best, or are playing in-and-out hockey. The quartette can do better, but when will they break out? The younger players have more than made good so far, and Smith with two years in junior B, should be outstanding in the group. Both Smith and Martin have not been able to score their quota of goals.

Hush my mouth, but entries for minor hockey closed at the weekend and as of Saturday, no listings had been received for Aurora, Newmarket, Sutton and Richmond Hill clubs. It's probably an oversight, or the mail went astray, but we can remember some embarrassing moments, like last season's baseball entry for Aurora, which was made too late. The count as of the weekend was: Juvenile series, Bolton, Bradford, Keswick, Little Britain, Woodbridge, in "D" and Stouffville in "C"; Midget, Beeton, Alliston, Bolton, Bradford, Keswick, Nobleton, Woodbridge, Bantam, Bolton, Cannington, Keswick, Port Perry, Schomberg. Sorry to see Unionville and Markham missing from the list. Special orchids to the lads at Keswick, Bolton and Woodbridge for their efforts on behalf of the kids.

Sunny Rowntree, talented puck-chasing son of Charlie "Aurora Bears" Rowntree, who was one of Bradford's best boxers last season, is playing fine hockey for Yank Boyd's Saraceni club in the West Toronto mercantile this year. Ron O'Hearn, who was with Aurora Bears in '51, is likewise doing well with C.N.R. in the New Toronto Commercial group.

Quite a team could be formed from ex-North Yorkers performing in the Toronto mercantile groups; Herbie Cain, Orville Thoms and Bill Grant are with Mahers; Scotty Mair coaches Avros, Eddie Williams, Ron O'Hearn, Freddie Fogelman, Wally Wolochiatuk, former Aurora Bears, are available; Moe Gal and Earl Robertson, Vic Slieve, Norm Gray, Bruce Forgie, Howard Forgie, Chink Clements and Vic Saville, all former Markham Millionaires, or Stouffville Clippers, are in shape as is Benny Harris, formerly of Sutton Greenhairs.

The withdrawal of Midland from the O.H.A. Intermediate series is something that deserves some serious consideration for the future. As it stands, Collingwood and Spits are the only two intermediate "A" entries in the north section. Both will therefore automatically be in the playoffs. Both too, will have two open dates because of the change in schedule. Before a club enters the O.H.A., a substantial bond should be posted for the maintenance of obligations and a strict supervision of playing rosters and comparative strength made of the teams.

It is quite possible that both Collingwood and Newmarket might have made other group arrangements if it had been anticipated that Midland would fall by the wayside. It is equally unfair on Midland players who might have made other arrangements for the season.

Orilla could have used one or two players like Clarence "The Cat" Gagnon, salubrious goalie, Fat Swales, ex-Aurora Indian, Harry Morrison, Bun Deschamps and that old favorite, Mutt Collings are deserving of a better break. Orilla incidentally, look much better in senior B now with the addition of Jack Drew, ex-Hamilton Tigers at centre ice, one of their two late-season imports. Drew played with Atlantic City last season.

Stouffville Clippers are finding the going a little rougher than expected in the Big Six senior B group as are Peterborough, Belleville and Orilla. Look for the Clippers to take on some playing strength soon.

Horace Kendall, coach of St. Andrew's College basketballers, volunteers the info that he has one of his better teams in action and that the Prep. school crown for '53 should rest with the red and white. Kendall can floor one team that averages over six feet, two inches in height, while their scoring record prior to the holidays was impressive. In one game against Tracy Barrager's Aurora club, the Andreans had a three figure margin on the play.

John Stuart is sojourning in Florida these days and the former Aurora boy will probably purchase a nag or two at Tropical Park, despite pre-Christmas resolutions.

Joint McComb was in eighth place in senior scoring as the year came to a close, being third in actual goals scored but down in the assist department. Looked like a pro hockey list, with Ferguson, Tommy Burlington, Buck Forslund, Joe Carbeth, Hnatuk, Harry Dick and McComb all ex-American leaguers in the first twelve.

Good luck to likeable Eddie Fitkin, ex-Maple Leaf Gardens public relations impresario who takes over the C.J.B.C. sports broadcasts, once occupied by Dave Price. The likeable Mr. Price who has the T.V. hot stove league and multifarious other interests now including the picture rights to the Grey Cup, will be missed, but Fitkin will prove a capable substitute. By the way, speaking of family resemblance, take a look at Price on Television and then drop back a few years and have a look at Councillor Dale King of Aurora. Mr. King is Price's nephew and the resemblance is more than somewhat.

Bill Jones, former Aurora-Newmarket athlete of the late 30's, is back again as coach of Newtonbrook hockey club who are entered in the T.H.L. junior series. Ted Anstett, once catcher for Richmond Hill softballers in the North York league and Joe Lannarelli who was the scoring star of Brampton Camp hockeyists in the '43 district O.H.A. season are playing senior B with Woodstock. Joe in addition coaches the Woodstock junior B club.

Ten years ago this month, Newmarket juniors were grouped with Whitby, Richmond Hill, Navy and Markham in a fast travelling junior C group. Let's see now, the Redmen had Red Palmateer, Joe Caradonna, Herman Easterhouse (Bradford), Hal Tunstead, Bob Elphinstone, Bill Jelley, Murray Jelley, Bob Smith, Angus McArthur, Gordon Pearson, Bill Hopper, Mike Thompson, Bill Anderson, Doug Case, Frankie Provost (Camp), Ken Broughton, Bruce Greig, Grant Blight.

Richmond Hill had, among others, Normie Stunden, Herbie Rose, Bill Mundell, Son Rowntree, Mickey Sutton, Whitey Jones, Ray Castator. Markham listed Carl Sellars, Boris Tipoff, Hal Gibson, Eddie Michniuk, quite a group with Markham winning out in a great finish for the '43 group laurels.

Harry Sutton, Aurora, is in his 20th straight year of hockey all played in Aurora and a good sincere effort put forth every time out. Ken Davie, Sutton and Mt. Albert, is probably the holder of the longest straight years of play in the district. If we recall rightly, Kenie has been going strong the past 25 years.

Belated congrats to Ellis Pringle new Georgina councillor, Syl Apps, new school trustee in Scarboro and Bob Bibby, Barrie, doing a repeat performance. Junior D grouping finds Alliston, Beeton, Nobleton and Orangeville as playmates, with Fergus, Georgetown, Elmira and Dixie in another section.

TOWN LEAGUE SCORING

	G	A	Pts
Learoyd (MA)	8	10	18
Taylor (MA)	9	0	18
D. Forfar (Van)	2	8	10
Arnt (Nkt)	5	4	9
J. Thoms (Nkt)	5	4	9
J. Smith (Nkt)	5	4	9
Davie (MA)	2	7	9
Kingdon (Van)	7	2	9
Doolittle (Van)	3	5	8
A. Forfar (Van)	4	4	8
K. Thoms (Nkt)	5	3	8
Couch (MA)	5	2	7
Lloyd (Van)	2	5	7

Regents And Vandroff Town League Victors

Winners in the Newmarket & District hockey league pre-Christmas dish at the arena were Vandroff and Newmarket Regents. Vandroff pulled a surprise to upset Mount Albert 7-1. Town Regents had to work hard to nip Kettleby 3-2. There's no getting around it — Kettleby Combines can't hold a lead. For the umpteenth time since they moved in to play in the N. & D.H.L. they were early leaders Tuesday over the Regents.

Goals by hustling Glen Murray and Jim Patton set them up with a 2-0 first period lead over the Oilmens. Regents were trailers mainly because John Weedon, Kettleby's activated netminder, refused to be beaten. Weedon was kicking out labelled shots in pro style. That state of affairs held up until the final minute of the second period. Then with chief morale booster Mel Stickwood, Coach Father T. J. McCabe and assistant coach Hack Cain urging them on, Regents hit fast and furiously for two quick goals. At 14.05 Orville Thoms trapped a pass from Stan. Gibbons and it was 2-1; 22 seconds later Motts Thoms dropped in a shot to tie it 2-2. Normie Legge, making his first appearance, picked up an assist on Mottsie's goal and Orville Thoms was also a helpmate. Murray MacDonald earned the hero role for the Oilmens as he whacked in the game winner at 5.39 of the third with Cliff Gunn the aider.

Vandroff shattered the halo of invincibility that has hung over Murray Edgar's Mounties. Vandroff, erupting for three second and three third period scores, routed Mount Albert 7-1. It was the Mounties' second loss of the season and shaved their first place lead to a single game. A great goal-tending display by Tommy Hulme, a stout defensive job by Loring Doolittle, Andy Lloyd and Mike VanNostrand, made the Vandroff victory possible.

Loring Doolittle picked up two goals and an assist to spearhead Vandroff's attack. Andy Lloyd, Archie Forfar, Howie Timbers and Clem Ellas were Vandroff's other strikers. John Learoyd, with Skip Taylor assisting, spoiled Tommy Hulme's shutout notions in the Vandroff cage.

HOW THEY STAND NORTH YORK MINORS

Juvenile				
	W	L	T	Pts
Aurora	3	1	6	
Newmarket	3	1	6	
Stouffville	2	4	4	
Richmond Hill	1	3	2	
Midget				
	W	L	T	Pts
Newmarket	6	0	0	12
Aurora	3	2	1	7
Nobleton	3	3	1	7
Rich. Hill	0	2	0	0
Woodbridge	0	5	0	0

NEWMARKET & DISTRICT	W	L	T	Pts
Mount Albert	6	2	0	12
Vandroff	5	3	0	10
Nkt. Regents	4	3	1	9
Kettleby	0	7	1	1

OPTIMISTS' N.H.L.	W	L	Pts
Canadians	3	0	6
Leafs	2	1	4
Bruins	2	1	4
Red Wings	1	2	2
Black Hawks	1	2	2
Rangers	0	3	0

JUNIOR C O.H.A.	W	L	Pts
Aurora	4	4	8
Collingwood	3	2	6
Owen Sound	3	4	6
Midland	2	2	4

AURORA TOWN LEAGUE	W	L	Pts
Ditch Diggers	4	0	8
Chappie Aces	2	2	4
Victory Flyers	2	2	4
York Rangers	0	4	0

Sports Calendar

Jan. 2 8.30 p.m., Aurora arena, Junior C O.H.A., Midland vs Aurora Bears; 7 p.m., Newmarket arena, Optimists' N.H.L., Leafs vs Rangers; 8 p.m., Wings vs Hawks; 10 p.m., Bruins vs Canadians; 9 p.m., Newmarket arena, North York Midget, Richmond Hill vs Newmarket; 7.30 p.m., Stouffville arena, North York Juvenile, Aurora vs Stouffville; 7.30 p.m., Nobleton arena, King-Vaughan double-header, Schomberg vs Bolton, Kleinburg vs King City.

Jan. 3, 3 p.m., North York, bantam, Aurora at Woodbridge; 8.30 p.m., O.H.A., Tri-County, rural, Kewick Comets vs Woodville.

Jan. 5, 8 p.m., Newmarket arena, North York bantam, Schomberg vs Newmarket; 8 p.m., Newmarket arena, North York Juvenile, Aurora vs Newmarket.

Jan. 6, 8 p.m., Newmarket arena, Newmarket and District hockey, double-header, Vandroff vs Kettleby, Newmarket Regents vs Mount Albert; 7 and 9 p.m., Aurora arena, Aurora town league, twin-bill, Ditch Diggers vs Chappie's Aces; Flyers vs York Rangers; 8.30 p.m., Kewick arena, Tri-County rural.

Schomberg And King Suffer Set-Backs

Schomberg and King City lost to their southern cousins, Kleinburg and Bolton in the 1952 close-up games in the King-Vaughan hockey loop Friday. Kleinburg hit for four first period goals to tumble Schomberg 7-2.

In the late game, Keith Skuce's two goals and Ted Derbyshire's single staked Bolton to a 3-2 win over Norm Taylor's King City Maroons. As a result of the games, Bolton increased their first place lead. Bolton is followed by Kleinburg, King City and Schomberg in that order in the league race.

Two goals apiece by Harry Lostchuk and Ken Hoyles paced Kleinburg's win over Schomberg. Bud Brown and Alex Cain fired third period goals for the Hastings-Breedon Schombergers. In the late game, Don Murray and Bob Hodgson were King City triggermen.

In last week's action, King City tripped Schomberg 5-3, while Bolton rolled to a 6-2 win over Kleinburg. Jim Patton's two first period scores gave King City a victory road start. Ted Rogers, John Richards and Doug Terry supplied King's clinching tallies. Murray Edwards slapped in a second period score and Bill Winters and Bud Brown were Schomberg's third period triggermen.

Ted Derbyshire's two and single sniping efforts by Harvey Wallace, John Irons, Jack Gibson and Tommy Carberry built Bolton's win. Walt Bell and Harry Lostchuk connected for Kleinburg counters.

Midgets Win Over Aurora

Exploding their biggest show of scoring power of the season, Newmarket Optimists fired three second and three third period goals to rack up a 7-0 win over Bill Mundell's Aurora Legion in a North York midget hockey League exchange at Newmarket Friday. The win increased Newmarket's lead atop the league. The Lowell Waller coached Optimists now have run their skein of victories to five straight.

Earl Lothian, promising young hot shot hockeyist gave the Waller boys their start. Bill Cain, Norm Smart and Warren Townsley shifted into position to let fly second round counters. In the finale Bob Wilson, Charlie McGulter and Don Thoms punched home Newmarket's concluding tallies.

Little Britain vs Keswick; 8.30 p.m., O.H.A., Junior C, Aurora Bears vs Owen Sound.

Jan. 7, 7.30 p.m., Nobleton arena, North York bantam, Newmarket vs Schomberg; 9 p.m., North York midget, Newmarket vs Nobleton.

A Canadian department store sales dollar breakdown shows that 18 cents goes for wages. Next biggest item is 14 cents for taxes.



Aurora Bears Lose First Home Game

Leaving the beefs and counter-beefs to fall where they may we have to impart the fearful tidings that Aurora Bears had their home winning skein snapped by Owen Sound Greys Friday.

While the Cross-Rowntree-Clark Bears hibernated under the influence of Christmas stuffings Saunders chucked in four goals in the first 12 minutes and that led directly to the Bears taking a 7-4 licking. Trailing 4-0 the Bears hit the score-sheet at 17.03 of the first. Bob Falls relayed his wingmate Bob Veale into a position for a corner pocket shot. Fraser Lemon, Saunders goal-mouth custodian, was the big stumbling block in the Bears path to get closer. Lemon grabbed off several labelled shots in the closing stages of the first and continued to rob the Bears in round two.

As it was the Bears settled for one goal in the middle session. Grant Edwards produced that one and Bobbs Cook was the assistant. These two were Aurora's best attackers. They worked again in cahoots in the early minutes of the third to bring the Bears back within one of a tie. This time it was Cooke on the shooting end. Score read 4-3 in favour of the Sound at this point.

Penalties will kill you they say and they did the Bears. At 3.40 Pepper Martin shuffled off to the sin bin for elbowing. While he was passing the time of day Saunders ran in two goals and it was all up with the Bears. Souped up scoring got rolling again in the last minute of action. Bev Byers completing his hat trick to boost the Sounders ahead 7-3. Pepper Martin and Bill Smith both long overdue in the scoring-assist column statistics combined for Aurora's fourth goal to shave the Sounders lead. That close tally came with just 11 seconds to go. Pepper Martin doing the actual shooting.

Albert Sweeney, making his initial appearance in the Bears cage suffered from rookie flitters in the first 12 minutes. After getting his sights adjusted Mr. Sweeney turned in a creditable job. Shots on goal showed the Bears outshooting Sounders 27 to 24.

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HASHMAN AWARD

VanZant, Murray For '52

We're going to cover a lot of territory in this, our final 1953 Hashman award and Roxy Theatre pass selection. We're going to attempt to name the outstanding sportsman in both the Hub and Aurora in one big year-end splash. Both championships are for the year-end. Does that give you a clue? Hub nominee is Charlie VanZant. Peaches was a busy man coaching the senior ladies through to P.W.S.U. finals, was a standard performer with the Office Specialty town league championship crew and had much to do with the completion of the Fair Grounds floodlight project. Already Charlie is talking 1953 and has sights set on the completion of a diamond exclusively for baseball. Good show.

In Aurora when there's sport work to be done, they don't say let George do it, they say let Alderman Jimmy Murray do it. And they couldn't turn the job over to a better sportsman. Jim was headman of both the Aurora Softball and Hockey Leagues and is chairman of the Aurora Floodlight Committee, a body of sportsmen set on providing Aurora with a floodlighted softball field in 1953. Hope you'll give us a vote of confidence on our selections. In making the choice we must say we had to overlook a dozen or more chaps who put in hours and hours of work with our minor ball and hockey teams. Thank you gentlemen.

Here's to a Happy New Year to all from your Hashman selector and from Mr. Grant, Roxy Theatre manager and donor of the weekly pass.

Smoke Rings Edged

By Aurora History

Newmarket Smoke Rings and Newmarket Optimists scored a twin-bill triumph in Woodbridge Saturday afternoon in a North York Bantam-Midget Hockey League double-header.

Last period goals by Bradley Walker and Lorne Babcock that broke a 2 all stalemate earned the Smoke Rings a 4-2 win over Woodbridge "Red and White" in the bantam contest. Francis Lewis and Brad Walker scored first and second period goals for the Smoke Rings.

Ken Ouderik and Ron Evans came through with Woodbridge's matching counters. Bridgers had to work hard for both tallies as Billy Cook, Frank Hollingsworth's on-the-beam puck stopper turned aside a mountain of rubber.

Lowell Waller's high flying Optimists unleashed another chapter of their vaunted scoring power to overpower Woodbridge 7-0 in the midget game. Don Thoms, with help from Don McKnight, gave Newmarket a 2-0 first period lead and the Optimists held the whip hand over the Bridgers from there on as Paul Hillaby had but six stops to make to get his second shut-out rating of the week.

Bill "Pocket Rocket" Forhan sniped two goals, Bob Wilson, Warren Townsley and Norm Smart singles to polish off the Optimists' scoring. It was the Waller's sixth straight win and gave them a wide margin atop the league.

COMETS POSTPONE OPENER

There's ice in the Keswick arena that was the good news that went out Sunday. The Comets, Keswick Tri-County Rural representatives, started practice sessions Monday on the home cushion. The weekend cold snap arrived just a day late. The Comets were supposed to open at home Saturday night with Ellis Pringle's Sutton platoon, the visiting opposition. Ice wasn't available Saturday so the game had to be postponed to a later date. It now looks as though Keswick fans will get their first home look at the 1952-53 Comet edition Tuesday, Jan. 6 with Little Britain on hand to provide the opposition.

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Newmarket Sports Editor



There's but a day or two left before succumbing to the desire to make the shatterproof resolutions for 1953. Before taking these momentous steps it's customary in the sporting trade to select the outstanding events of the year and review in general what has been accomplished during the past year. In many ways '52 was good for sports and sportsmen. What was our biggest accomplishment?

Being at heart a 100 percent baseball man, return of intermediate rated tops on our books. Judging from fan attendance and first year results, resurgence of the big diamond sport was an outstanding success. Hack Cain, Ted Robinson, Geo. Hudson, Ernie Benitz and their working crew reached the South Simcoe League south division finals. It was the first time in over 15 years that the Hub appeared in the O.B.A. intermediate play-downs. They were ousted by Milton—and Milton went on to the Ontario finals. That was a good first year start. Another feature—a step in the right direction—was the formation of a North York Minor Baseball League.

Circuit included teams from Sutton, Mount Albert (their first time in baseball), Aurora, Newmarket, Oak Ridges and Richmond Hill. Thanks to work of minor sports enthusiasts, Mike Gillan, John Leary (Sutton), Joe Case (Mount), Bill Mundell, Fred Wilson (Aurora), Bob Russell (Oak Ridges), Grant Nightwonder, Dave Hart (Richmond Hill), Lowell Waller, Eddie Pitt, Ken Stephens, Frank Hollingsworth (Newmarket) league was off to a flying start.

In fact it was a good start towards formation of a permanent body to govern minor sports in North York. Late, as an offshoot of the baseball league, a 13-team North York Minor Hockey League has come into existence. Lake Simcoe Softball League finals which were concluded under our lights here—a very good stroke of business for the league and the floodlight committee—created the most sustained excitement of the year.

The Pine Orchard-Zephyr semi-finals that started out as a three-game set, ran into nine games and Chas. Lunney's Blues went on from there to take it all over Joe Case's Mounties. Your scribe's hex wasn't working by the way—over the protests of Chas. Lunney, Clark Arnold, Ron Kester and company, selected the Blues to win it all. Guess they'll start listening to us from now on.

High on the books in other diamond endeavors was the showing of our senior ladies' softball nine and our Optimists' bantam baseballers. Both teams reached the Ontario finals before succumbing to Midland and Simcoe respectively. It was a feather in cap of ladies' coach Charlie VanZant and Optimist Clubbers under Lowell Waller and Ken Stephens.

Now for a preview of Target 1953—top priority—completion of the Fair Grounds. There's a great deal of work to be accomplished there. Need for a hardball diamond—and Charlie VanZant reports it will be a reality in 1953—that's good news.

Swimming pool project that was humming along a year ago fizzed out—costs too high—there's talk of a Fairy Lake clean-up campaign. That's another item that should be tops on our priority list for 1953. If we can't swing the swimming pool then let's clean up Fairy Lake. It could be a natural beauty spot

Diggers Win Four Straight

Ditch Diggers and Chapman's Aces were pre-Christmas winners in the Aurora Town League. Nobody seems to be able to check Mickey Sutton's Ditch Diggers' scoring power. Diggers made it four in a row by rolling over the hapless, winless York Rangers 12-3.

Harold Junior Stephenson, Diggers' scoring whizzer, blinked the red light four times to spark the Suttonmen but had to share the spotlight with Ken Wright who also got into the scoring act with a four goal effort.

Mickey Sutton, Earl MacDonald, Tracy Barrager and Charlie Sutton potted singles to complete the Diggers' fire power. Jimmy Hammond, Keith Smith and Bill Fitch were Rangers' scoring threesome.

Cliff Chapman has his Aces on the move upward in the league race. Thanks to two goal efforts by hustling Don Egan, bashing Harry Sutton, dashing Bill Patrick and a single successful sniping try by Ron Knowles Aces blanked short-staffed Victory Flyers 7-0. John Harman grabbed handfuls of rubber out of the ozone to protect his shut-out bid.

LADIES MEET

The Senior Ladies Aid of the Christian Baptist church will be held in the church basement, on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 2:30 p.m.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wrightman spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Myers, Gormley.

MOUNT ALBERT

Mrs. Gordon Wagg, James and Linda, Belleville, were holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Degeer and Miss Etta Stokes, Toronto, were weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Arnold.

Miss Daisy Watts, Dunnville, is spending the holidays at her home in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Young and family spent Christmas at Napanee.

Many family parties were held on Christmas day. Some were at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. B. Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. E. Davis, Mrs. Mary Rolling, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Riebrogh, Misses Eva and Theodora Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Steeper, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lunan and Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Rutledge.

Dr. Macpherson is the next one to get television in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Alto Davison and son, Caleb, Queensville, spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Davison's brother, Mr. Roy Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reid and family, Scarboro, were Christmas visitors at the home of her father, Mr. Jas. Storach.

Dr. Jas. Hamilton, Geneva, N. Y., visited his mother, Mrs. A. Crowe, over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Burnham had their family with them for Christmas dinner.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Draper spent Christmas at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Lyons, at Scarboro.

The Women's Institute will hold their January meeting on Thursday, Jan. 8, in the community hall at 2:30 p.m., when Air Marshal Lawrence, head of Civil Defence in Ontario, will be the guests speaker. Everyone is urged to attend. Roll call will be "How to promote safety in the home." First aid demonstrations and a report of the school committee on first aid kits in their schools will be given.

David Crone and Murray Cupples left on Sunday morning to motor to Florida. They expect to be gone a couple of weeks.

The Sharon Junior Farmers invite you to their dance in the community hall at Mount Albert on New Year's night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Price went to Toronto for their Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Williams spent Christmas with Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Anglin.

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Many attended the Christmas services at the United church and listened to a very fine Christmas message by the minister, Rev. Shapter, and the choir have received many comments on their Christmas music, especially the cantata sung at the evening service under their efficient leader, Mr. Geo. Price.

SCHOMBERG

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McLean, Tottenham, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Walter McLean.

Mrs. Robt. Leonard passed away at her home on Friday. She had been in failing health for some time. She leaves to

Miss Agnes Foster, Orillia, spent a few days the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster.

Mrs. K. Bradley, Port Colborne, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. S. Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Winters, Michigan, spent Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. A. Winters, and other relatives.

Mrs. A. Mitchell spent Christmas with friends at Nashville.

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